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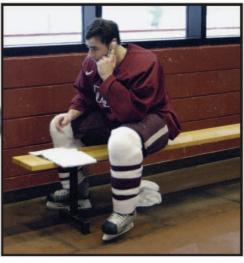
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dying inside his sweltering tractor-trailer. Williams didn't let them out for four more hours as he transported them from South Texas in May 2003, prosecutors said. By then, 17 of the more than 70 illegal immigrants inside had died from dehydration, hy-

perthermia and suffocation. ening arguments were set for Tuesday in Williams' much-delayed trial

Staten Island ferry crash: Minutes after the ferry Andrew J. Barberi slammed into a Staten Island pier, assistant captain Richard Smith took the blame, allegedly telling ferry supervisor Patrick Ryan, "I blacked out. It's

all my fault. I killed all these people." In the 17 months since the ship-shredding disaster claimed 11 lives, the National Transportation Safety Board has shifted its focus from Smith's conduct that day to Ryan's sup-

posedly slack grip on the ferry operations. The NTSB was set to issue its final report on the crash Tuesday, including recommen-dations for changes in ferry operations.

Beauty queen shooting: A jury was chosen Monday for the murder trial of a Savan-

nah, Ga., beauty queen who fatally shot her two-timing boyfriend outside the other woman's house

Sharron N. Redmond, 23, faces life in prison if convicted in the slaving of Kevin Shorter during a confrontation four months after Redmond was crowned Miss Sa vannah.

She has admitted firing the shot that killed Tuesday.



Shorter. Opening statements were set for

World

Philippines murder convictions: The Philippine Supreme Court on Tuesday threw out a petition by soldiers requesting a new trial over their convictions in the 1983 murder of opposition leader Benigno Aquino Jr.

The 15 soldiers each are serving two life terms for the murder of Aquino, who was killed while in the custody of soldiers on Aug. 21, 1983, moments after he stepped off

Toxic railroad leak: Used hazardous material safety gear and suits lie near an emptied rail tanker after it was pumped free of toxic waste Monday in Salt Lake City. The railroad tank car that leaked toxic fumes, forcing some 6,000 people from their homes, was not designed to hold the mixture of highly corrosive acids with which it had been filled, the car's owner said Monday. Louie Cononelos, spokesman for Kennecott Utah Copper, said the car was supposed to be used only for hauling sulfuric acid.

a plane bringing him home from exile in the United States.

The soldiers said a new witness and forensic evidence would clear them. However, the Supreme Court said the new witness merely corroborated the testimony of the defense witnesses during the trial

Munch art recovered: Police in Oslo, Norway, on Tuesday were holding eight people on suspicion of theft after recovering three stolen works of art by Norwegian master Edvard Munch, including a unique watercolor titled "Blue Dress," officials said.

The artworks, valued at some \$257,000, were found less than 24 hours after thieves pried them loose Sunday night from the walls of a restaurant at the upscale Hotel Refnes, near the southern town of Moss, police said

Officers received a tip that people were seen carrying paintings into an Oslo house.

Asian bird flu: The World Health Organization says seven Vietnamese patients who initially tested negative for bird flu have been found to be carrying the virus after their samples were retested - suggesting that avian influenza may be more wide-spread than originally believed.

All seven, who were first tested in January, have since recovered, WHO regional spokesman Peter Cordingley said Tuesday. "There's no doubt. The WHO accepts that we are missing cases. It's quite possible that some people are falling sick and their symp-toms are very light and they don't end up in

hospital," he said mi victim: Officials in Thailand have formally identified the body of British fashion photographer Simon Atlee, who was killed by the Asian tsunami while vacationing with his girlfriend, Czech supermod-

el Petra Nemcova, an official said Tuesday. A spokeswoman for the Foreign Office confirmed that the body of Atlee, 33, had been found and was identified on March 3. She said his family were aware and British officials were working on having the body renatriated

Japan mad cow precautions: Anyone who visited Britain or France for a day or more between 1980 and 1996 will be banned from donating blood in Japan, an official said Tuesday, as the government tightens restric-tions on blood supplies because of worries over the human form of mad cow disease

The rule would har hundreds of thousands of people from donating blood and may severely diminish blood supplies, media reports warned.

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Free as the air

Yokota library offers wireless Internet service

BY T.D. FLACK

Stars and Strines

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan -Yokota's library began offering the base's first free wireless Internet connection Monday, according to 374th Services Division officials

In an e-mail response to a Stripes query, Jeffrey B. Conner, Yokota's library director, said the overall effect "will be better customer service" that "provides the library with the best way to meet changing customer technological needs.'

In other words, just bring your own laptop to the library and there'll be no more waiting in line at the library for a wired computer and no more time limits because other people are waiting.

Conner credited John Iosefo, library systems administrator, for getting the system running.

Iosefo said the wireless connection is "fast," with a maximum capability connection speed of 54 megabits per second.

By comparison, the 11 Internet-wired computers in the library run at about a 10 mbps connection speed.

Iosefo said he's running two of the library's desktop computers off the wireless connection and "it works great.

He said people should be able to access the signal from within



Air Force Staff Sgt. Tyrell Phew connects to the new wireless Internet connection Tuesday at the base library, Yokota Air Base, Japan. The 374th Services Division began offering the free service Monday.

about 150 feet of the router, located at the library's front desk

The University of Maryland pays for the Internet service at the library as a service to the base community, base officials said.

Conner said the feature was very popular, even before the wireless connection was made available this week

Staff Sgt. Tyrell Phew, 374th Maintenance Squadron, was in the library with his laptop during lunch Tuesday afternoon

"It's the best thing they've done here in a while," he said of the service. "It's a great service to the community.

He said his wife is taking online college classes and the limited access with the wired computers "could be a hassle."

While the library staff is glad to offer the service, they cannot offer technical assistance, according to a Services Division news release, and those wishing to access the signal must have wireless access already installed on their computer equipment.

The release also warned that some disadvantages exist, including that walls, conflicting signals and distance can disrupt wireless signals; printer access is unavailable; and wireless connections can leave a user's computer vulnerable to unwanted access

Call the library at DSN 225-7490 or DSN 225-8893 for more information

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McCain: Pacific forces require more attention

Navy has drawn down too quickly, Arizona senator tells Fallon and LaPorte

BY LEO SHANE III Stars and Stripes

WASHINGTON - Sen. John McCain said he has serious con cerns about the current and planned U.S. military presence in the Pacific and said operations in

Iraq and Afghanistan "may be mortgaging our future. The comments came as Adm

William J. Fal-Ion Command. er of U.S. Pacif-Command and Army Gen.

Leon LaPorte, Commander of United States Forces Korea, testified before Congress on Tuesday to discuss

their operational plans related to the 2006 defense budget

McCain called the Middle East operations "legitimate demands" but said he worries that not enough attention is being paid to the military's ability to react to China and North Korea, the next "challenges" the U.S. military will face.

The Arizona Republican criticized the military for not yet determining if Japan will allow a nuclear-powered aircraft carrier to replace the USS Kitty Hawk when it is decommissioned in 2008, and he said the total number of ships in the region has dropped too quickly in the last several years.

"I think most of us who appreciate history recognize the importance of sea power not only in conflicts but for presence," McCain

"Every president, Republican or Democrat, his first call is for a carrier task force to go wherever there is a crisis. I don't mean to denigrate the role of the Army or Marines or Air Force or anyone

"Traditionally we've had to rely. particularly in the Pacific, on naval

presence," McCain said. specifically concerned about the drawdown in this area of the world. This is a situation perhaps we're not preparing for ade-

Fallon who assumed command of PACOM less than two weeks



ago, said force posture and response will be a top priority for him.

He even with the planned reductions today's navaĺ forces have greater

efficiency than ever before and will be able to perform their duties.

That drew a rebuke from McCain.

"I appreciate that increased capability, but if they're in San Diego it's difficult to use it," he told Fallon.

Fallon said the carrier issue will be a major part of the posture discussions but did not comment on Defense Department plans to retire the fleet's other non-nuclear carrier, the USS Kennedy, because of budget concerns.

He did promise to take up the carrier issue with the Japanese government "very soon."

Sen. John Warner, R-Va., chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, echoed McCain's comments to focus on the future of the Pacific forces but said he expects this year's Base Relocation and Closure study and Quadrennial Defense Review will shape those decisions.

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U.S. passport, visa costs increase

Stars and Strines

U.S. passport and immigrant visa fees increased Tuesday to pay for embedded computer chips and other security measures, the U.S. Embassy announced

All passport application and renewal fees for U.S. citizens rose \$12. It now costs \$67 for adults to renew their passport, and \$82 for children under 16.
Parents purchasing passports for their newborn children must pay \$82 for a passport and an additional \$65 for a computer water to birth. al \$65 for a consular report of birth

"The chip embedded in the cover has the same information as on the page, including the picture,' said Judith Bryan, press attaché at the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo.

The new security costs also are being applied to immigrant visas, although no change was announced for visitor and other nonimmigrant visas.

Immigrant visas now cost \$380, a \$45 hike. Applications for diversity lottery visas shot from \$100 to

\$420, including the \$45 security charge

Applicants for L-1 visas must pay a \$500 fraud prevention and detection fee. L-1 visas are granted to workers who are being transferred to the United States by multinational companies. Legal permanent alien residents who have lost a

passport and need to re-enter the States will pay \$165, down from \$300. The State Department is required by law to recov-

er costs of providing most consular services through user fees, according to the embassy. The last major fee revision occurred in 2002 For information on visa and passport regulations,

go to http://japan.usembassy.gov, or contact a base passport office.

E-mail Erik Slavin at: slavine@pstripes.osd.mil

Chief's scholarship

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan - The Misawa Chief Petty Officer's Association is accepting applications for the 2005 Alfred Leo Halpin IV Scholarship. All high school seniors are eligible for the \$1,000 award. Applications will be accepted through April 29 at Edgren High School's counselor's office. Phone Chief Petty Officer Terry Kuhl-

man at DSN 226-5667/5673 for more de-

Yokosuka fund-raiser

YOKOSUKA NAVAL BASE, Japan -The Oakleaf Club, a nonprofit spouses group from Yokosuka's hospital, is planning a one-day fund-raising sale Saturday at Thew Gym

The sale will include items such as jew elry, antiques and a variety of Japanese goods and is planned for 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Pro ceeds are to support hospital activities.

Phone Marge Peff at DSN 241-3784 for information or to volunteer.

Japan Day at Misawa

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan - People are needed to help with this year's Japan Day, set for April 2 at Edgren High School. The annual event draws hundreds of Japanese artisans, craftsman, entertainers and cooks who put on demonstrations and cultural displays

Volunteers are needed to help with a va riety of tasks, Call 1st Lt. Jonathan Hannon at DSN 226-2545 for more informa-

Chess tourney help

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan — Yokota is seeking a professional U.S. Chess Federation-rated player to serve as a tournament director

Yokota will host the annual base-wide chess tournament beginning at 9 a.m. April 2 in the Taiyo Recreation Center.

Submit applications to Bob McFall at robert.mcfall@vokota.af.mil

From staff reports

General: U.S. troop level in Iraq to remain steady

AF seeks volunteers for Iraq duty

asked the Air Force Chief of Staff

Gen. John Jumper to extend some

of its Iraq tours in order to provide

"increased stability and continuity of operations" in certain positions.

according to Saturday's Air Force

message about the extensions.

The jobs are a mix of enlisted

and officer billets. Many of the po-

sitions are intelligence analysts ac-

cording to an Air Force list of open-

ings, although transportation, per-

sonnel, budget and other support

airmen who are currently filling

the billets as part of their four-month AEF rotation if they

would be willing to spend an addi-

Air Force officials will first ask

specialists are also in demand

Stars and Strines

ARLINGTON, Va. - U.S. troop levels in Iraq will remain steady at about 135,000 troops for "the next several months," according to the top U.S. military leader in Iraq.

Once the last of the units held over for Iraqi elections returns home at the end of March, "I don't nec essarily anticipate [troop levels] changing much for the next several months," Army Gen. George W. Casey Jr., commanding general of the Multi-National Force-Iraq, told Pentagon reporters Tuesday.

"We're in a good position following the (January) elections, but we have a lot of work ahead to get to our final objective in Iraq," Casey said.

'We're actually further along than I thought we'd be at this point," Casey said. "The level of violence, the level of attacks (against coalition forces), have dropped off significantly."

fact, he said, "last week [marked] the lowest level (of attacks) since April.

However, Casey said he was "not ready to say" that the elections marked a "tipping point" that will spell a rapid end to the insurgency

Despite progress in capturing many bombmak-ers and other foes of coalition forces and the new Iraqi government, "We are (still) dealing with an insurgency that has sufficient weapons, ammunition

BY LISA BURGESS

Stars and Strines

Force is seeking volunteers will-ing to spend a full year in Iraq to

fill about 200 joint U.S. military

norm for the Army, the positions

are the first one-year rotations the Air Force has undertaken in Iraq.

Most Air Force deployments, which are managed under the ser-

vice's Air Expeditionary Force (AEF) cycles, are four months

long - although some airmen

with special skills that are in high

demand, such as military police, can be deployed for six months.

Although one-year tours are the

jobs, most of them in Baghdad.

ARLINGTON, Va. - The Air

and people to maintain attacks (at the level of) 50 or 60 per day in the Sunni area," Casey said. "We've seen that

Even though attacks against U.S. forces have dropped, attacks continue against Iraqis, in particu-lar the fledgling Iraqi security forces, which are losing members to suicide bombers and other insur-

gent weapons almost daily.

The insurgents are "clearly going after Iraqi security forces more, that's kind of a steady thing,"

The election gave the Iraqi people a much-needed psychological boost, Casey said, leaving Iraqi civilans less vulnerable to the demoralizing effect of

daily bloodshed "For every one attack, two and a half are ineffec-re," Casey said, "So you get a lot of noise. Before the election, that noise really affected the people, be-cause they had a perception of insecurity," he said. 'After the election, [it's] not having the same ef-

fect.' But stabilizing Iraq is an effort that could take many more years, Casey said, although he did not specifically say that U.S. troops would be required for the duration

"Defeating insurgency takes time." "The average counterinsurgency in the 20th century took nine years."

ing to Air Force spokeswoman Jen-

volunteers for the jobs, followed

by an involuntary selection to fill remaining slots, Stephens said.

Both volunteer and nonvolun-teer replacements for the airmen

now posted in Baghdad will start

their new jobs in July and August,

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nifer Stephens

Stephens said.



Peter Trovato is shown outside a practice hockey rink at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst last month, following a practice session with the school team. Trovato has established a charity to help children of soldiers killed in Iraq. He sometimes needs to make phone calls to trustees of the organization at a time that conflicts with practice, so he calls on his cell phone from near the rink

Athlete establishes fund for kids who lost parent in war

BY MARK PRATT The Associated Press

BOSTON - Peter Trovato keeps the list of names above the comput-

er in his Amherst apartment.
Ashley, Marcus, Matthew, Katie and more than a dozen others -

But "we're not going to make them stay," Stephens said in a Tuesday telephone interview. Instead, the Air Force is seeking are a reminder of why he spends so much effort helping people he doesn't know, and in many cases has never met, while balancing a demanding academic schedule and the commitment of being a Di-

vision I college hockey player.

Trovato is the founder of the Massachusetts Soldiers Legacy Fund a charitable endowment that aims to provide college scholarship money to the children of Bay State military personnel who have died in Iraq or Afghanistan. The money is in addition to any educational benefits they already get from the state and federal governments

At least 30 Massachusetts residents have died so far in the war on terror, leaving behind more than 20 children, from infants to teens, whose names he sees each

"When I get tired, I just look up there at the list and it keeps me going," said Trovato, a senior at

the University of Massachusetts. Each name is a reminder of a family torn apart, of another child who will never see a parent again and in at least one case, a child who will never even meet his father.

Trovato is one of five finalists for the Hockey Humanitarian

Award, presented annually by a private foundation to "college hockey's finest citizen." Any collegiate hockey player in any NCAA division is eligible for the award. which will be presented April 8 during the men's Frozen Four in Columbus, Ohio.

Trovato got the idea for the fund last summer while working as a legislative intern for state Rep. Michael F. Rush, D-Boston. One of his jobs was to keep the lawmaker abreast of the news. "I kept reading about these Massa chusetts soldiers who had given their lives in either Iraq or Afghanistan, leaving behind wives and children, and I was like "What can I do?" "Trovato said. Trovato had a full plate before

starting the soldiers fund. He has a 3.6 grade point average with a double-major in political science and journalism in the university's Commonwealth College honors program. Playing hockey at the Division 1 level also means three-hour practices during the season and long road trips that this season have taken Trovato from Anchorage, Alaska to

o, Maine He also tutors at-risk high school students, as well as his own teammates; he volunteers at a Northampton homeless shelter with other members of the team; and he is a Big Brother.

And, he notes with a chuckle, he has a girlfriend and a dog who deserve his attention as well.

"It's a tough balancing act, I'm not going to lie," he said.

Investigation into Italian's death

BAGHDAD - The U.S.-led coalition in Iraq ordered a follow-up investigation Tuesday into the fatal shooting of an Italian intelligence officer as he accompanied a former hostage to Baghdad's airport last week.

Also, Bulgaria demanded a U.S. investigation after one of its 460 soldiers in Iraq was killed Friday in what appeared to be a friendly-fire incident.

Italian intelligence officer Nicola Calipari was killed Friday when U.S. troops at a checkpoint fired at the car carrying him and freed Italian journalist Giuliana Sgrena to the airport after Sgrena's release from a month in captivity.

U.S. may abandon Abu Ghraib site

BAGHDAD - Incessant attacks against Baghdad's notorious Abu Ghraib prison may force the U.S. military to return the facility to Iraq's government and take their own high-security inn safer place, a U.S. military official said.

However, U.S. military figures show that a crackdown against insurgents before and after the Jan 30 landmark parliamentary election has bloated Iraq's prison system to the breaking point.

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Kabul Golf Club proves to be revival in rough

BY N.C. AIZENMAN The Washington Post

KABUL, Afghanistan - Never mind that the fairway was just a muddy hillside.

Or that the green was a patch of sand smoothed with black motor

Mohammed Hashem prepared to tee off with all the concentraAfghans learn game on golf course beaten by war

tion of his new hero, Tiger

"Check the condition of the ground first," warned his instructor, Mohammed Afzal Abdul,

It's an essential precaution on the rock-strewn links of the Kabul Golf Club, which reopened on the outskirts of Afghanistan's capital last spring after more than two decades of war and neglect.

Like the rest of the country, the government-owned course is something of a work in progress. Landscapers have dragged away most of the weapons and shrapnel that littered the grounds, though a rusted Russian tank still stands sentry atop one of several hills ringing the course. A large metal shipping container has been brought in to replace the old

clubhouse, now a bombed-out Abdul the club's director in addition to its pro, also has built a water hazard. Someday soon, he

hopes to fill it with water. The rough, at least, world-class.

Despite the challenges posed by the nine-hole course, about 100 diplomats, aid workers and other foreigners paid a small fee to golf here last year. With the club's second season about to begin, Abdul, a slim, athletic-looking man in his forties, is keen to attract a larger crowd.

"If I could get funds from the Americans or maybe the British, I could put a fence all around the course to keep the foreigners safe," he said. "Then we will need a well, so we can grow grass, and plumbing so we can build a new clubhouse.

Still, he said, his priority was the roughly 50 Afghan students he has been teaching free all winter.

"I know they have a bright future in golf. And that makes me feel very happy," Abdul said.

His students, mostly college-age men, wear sneakers and green caddy vests pulled over the long tunics and billowing trousers traditionally worn by Afghans. They said they like golf be-

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and unwind at the same time. But their thirst for leisure sometimes has deeper roots.

The students also can earn about \$3 a game caddying for for-

But Hashem, 19, harbors grander ambitions, fueled in part by glossy golf magazines, filled with photos of Woods, that foreign players have shown him.

"I want to become a champion like him, so I can make Afghanistan famous," Hashem said. Last November he got off to a promising start, winning third place in the club's first tournament in nearly 30 years.

The Kabul course had been turned into a battlefield by a succession of warring militia factions, culminating with the extremist Taliban militia.

Then, in 2001, the Taliban was defeated by U.S.-led forces. Several Afghans persuaded the new government to allow the club's reopening and have leased the grounds for 20 years, although so far they annear to have invested relatively little. A U.N. employee donated several sets of clubs, and a de-mining agency agreed to check the course for old land mines.

If there was any hope of recapturing the club's glory days, however, Abdul was needed. Fortunately, he had just moved back to

The \$80 per month he was offered as director of the golf club was less than what he was making as a taxi driver.

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"But I felt it was my duty to accent." Abdul said.





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Tokyo marks 60th anniversary of deadly air raid

BY JOSEPH COLEMAN The Associated Press

TOKYO - For decades, Teruo Kanoh never revealed the terror locked in his heart the night in 1945 when American bombs turned Tokyo into a raging fireball. Then, three years ago, he slowly began releasing his demons in oil and watercolor.

In his vivid, unsparing paintings, U.S. warplanes shower the sky with rivulets of fire, and thousands of corpses - many of them women and children — clot Tokyo's main river. In one piece, flaming victims

plummet in agony from a burning bridge.

the 60th anniversary this week of the March 9-10, 1945, air raid that killed an estimated 100,000 people in a single night of fire

The Tokyo firebombing has long been overshadowed by the U.S. atomic attacks on Hiroshima and Nagasaki which preceded the Japanese surrender that ended World War II the following August.

But the burning of the capital, which resulted in more immediate deaths than either of the nuclear bombings, stands as a horrifying landmark in the history of warfare on noncombatants

More than 300 B-29 "Superfortress" bombers dropped nearly a half-million M-69 incendiary cylinders over Tokyo that night and early morning, annihilating some 16 square miles of the city.

The official death toll was some 83,000. but historians generally agree that victims unaccounted for bring the figure to around 100 000. It is widely considered to be the most devastating air raid in history.

While critics in Japan and elsewhere decry such attacks as war crimes, others say the Tokyo assault took place against a backdrop of the increasing brutality of total war fueled by the militarism of the Axis powers.

The German air attack on Guernica in the Spanish Civil War and the Japanese bombing of Chungking, China, in the 1930s

nate urban air raids - a trend that greatly expanded in World War II.

Kanoh survived by sheltering on a stone stairway from the park to the river. After the war, he was raised by relatives and worked as a painter of advertisements. Then, in 2002, he saw an ad asking for depic-

tions of the war. For the first time, he start-ed exploring his memories on the canvas. The paintings are on exhibit in Tokyo as part of the several commemorations. The museum has expanded its timeline display to include Tokyo's 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor and examples of Japanese pro-war propaganda to show Japan's role in starting the fighting, said Haruyo Nihei, a 68-year-old



World marks International Women's Day



Alleged Filipino comfort women should slogans while picketing in front of the Japanese embassy in suburban Manila to mark the celebration of International Wom en's Day on Tuesday. The comfort women have long been demanding public apology and compensation from Japan for alleged injustices done by Japanese soldiers during their occupation of the Philippines in World

Leaders: There is no going back on revolution that began 30 years ago

BY EDITH M. LEDERER The Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS - Leaders of the fight for women's equality say there is no going back on the revolution that began 30 years ago, though the challenges ahead are

The comments came at a U.N. meeting to evaluate the world's progress toward gender equality. Now in its second and final week, the gathering has drawn delegates from 130 countries and 6,000 representatives from women's and human rights

organizations. Commemorating Tuesday's International Women's Day, Rachel Mayanja, the secretary-general's top adviser on women, warned that "the task ahead is not going to be any less difficult than it has been during

the past decades." She stressed that world leaders cannot view poverty, armed conflict and violence in isolation.

"The eradication of poverty and disease is as important as dealing with the criminal networks that traffic in women and children," she said.

Nafis Sadik, a special adviser on AIDS to Secretary-General Kofi Annan and former head of the U.N. Population Fund, said governments spend more than \$900 billion on the military while the world's richest countries spend less than \$70 billion on develop ment assistance — and only about \$3 billion of that amount goes to gender equality.

"What contributes more to security \$3 billion invested in women or the \$900 billion squandered on weapons?" Sadik said to loud applause. "It is time for political leaders to stop talking about peace and really start investing in it.

At a commemoration held Friday before most of the ministers and VIPs left, two Nobel Peace Prize winners and the heads of the four U.N. conferences on women since 1975 spoke of progress and challeng es ahead. The four conferences built the global women's movement.

Former U.N. assistant secretary-general Angela King, who was Annan's top adviser on women and organized the 2000 U.N. conference that reviewed Beijing, said the challenges of five years ago are the challenges of today.

She said an increasing number of women live in poverty, lag behind in eco-nomic advancement, are hurt by globaliza-tion, are contracting HIV/AIDS in greater numbers and are increasingly subject to vi-olence in armed conflicts and through traf-

ficking, she said. King noted there are only four women prime ministers of independent countries and few women are at peace tables, citing them as the difficulty in changing stereo-

types of women's limited roles. "In 1975, the Mexico conference ignited a spark of awareness among women of their shared hopes and common prob-lems, King said.

"With each successive conference, the

"Let us pledge today as the United Nations community, as governments, regions and individuals, that the flame for women's freedom and equality become a shining beacon for action to fully realize gender equality, development and peace.

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Nagasaki told to pay for funeral

TOKYO - A Japanese court ordered a city government to pay for the funeral of a South Korean man who survived the atomic bombing of Nagasaki. a ruling that could help other atomic bomb victims abroad get compensation.

Choi Kye-chul returned to Pusan, South Korea, after the Aug. 9, 1945, bombing.

When he died last July, his wife asked Nagasaki city to help pay for the funeral, but her request was denied because her husband was not in Japan at the time of his death

Infection may have killed King Tut

CAIRO, Egypt - The results of a CT scan done on King Tut's mummy indicate the boy king was not murdered, but may have suffered a badly broken leg shortly before his death at age 19 — a wound ologist said Tuesday

Zahi Hawass, secretary-general of the Supreme Council of Antiquities, announced the results of the CT scan about two months after it was performed on Tut's mummy

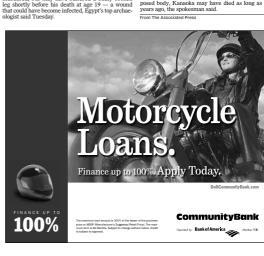
Siblings found living with dead parent

TOKYO - Police on Tuesday questioned three siblings after it was discovered they had been living with the decomposed corpse of their father for nearly a decade, an official said

Police found the body of Kyujiro Kanaoka lying on a futon bed

Kanaoka's three elderly children, all in their 70s or older, told police they thought their father was still alive but that one of them recently had consulted a relative about the possibility he might be dead

Police were investigating the cause of Kanaoka's death. Judging from the condition of his decomposed body, Kanaoka may have died as long as 10 vears ago, the spokesman said.



FBI bullet analyses wrong, court says

WASHINGTON - An FBI crime lab technique used for decades to match bullets to crimes — and relied on by prosecutors in hun-dreds of criminal trials — is based on "erroneous scientific founda-

tions," a New Jersey appeals court has ruled.

Action 18-50 precession as 197 murder conviction, the court said Michael S. Behn deserves a new trial because expert test-mony based on the FBI technique was central to his conviction. The ruling is believed to be the first to overturn a conviction based on a challenge to the FBI analysis of the lead content of built-less since the National Academy of Sciences last year raised new questions about the technique

Nebraska opens infectious-disease unit

OMAHA, Neb. - The nation's largest medical unit for victims of highly lethal infectious diseases such as smallpox, anthrax and the plague opened in Nebraska on Monday.

The Nebraska Medical Center's 10-bed containment wing has a separate ventilation system, alarms to indicate escaping air, a sterilizer for items leaving the wing and a shower for its volunteer staff to make sure contagious diseases are kept inside

Report: Terror suspects allowed to buy guns

WASHINGTON — More than 40 terror suspects on federal watch lists were allowed to buy firearms in the United States last year because background checks found no reason to stop them, says a gov-

ernment report released Tuesday. The GAO recommended that the attorney general clarify procedures to ensure that information from gun purchase background checks is shared with counterterrorism officials and that the FBI should either monitor such checks more frequently or ov checks related to terror suspects.

Bush asks Texas to review death row inmates

WASHINGTON - The Bush administration is asking Texas to conduct new hearings for 51 Mexicans on death row who say they were denied legal help from their consulates in violation of interna-

The International Court of Justice in The Hague last year ruled that the convictions violated the 1963 Vienna Convention by not providing the Mexicans with consular access. In 1969, the Senate ratified the treaty, which requires such access for Americans detained abroad and foreigners arrested in the United States.

From wire reports

Bill Clinton to have surgery

BY KAREN MATTHEWS The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Former Presi-

dent Clinton will undergo a medical procedure this week to remove an unusual buildup of fluid and scar tissue from his chest, six months after he underwent quadruple bypass surgery, his office said Tuesday. "I feel fine," Clinton said in Washington

The low-risk procedure will take place Thursday at New York-Presbyterian Hospital/Columbia University Medical Center.

Clinton will remain hospitalized for three to 10 days and is expected to make a "full functional recovery," doctors said

Clinton, who planned to play a golf tournament in Florida on Wednesday with former President George H.W. Bush for tsunami relief said doctors discovered the condition during a recent X-ray. He called the surgery a

"I feel fine," Clinton told reporters following a visit to the Oval Office with the former president. "And we're going to go play golf tomorrow

"routine sort of deal."

The procedure, known as a decortication, will remove scar tissue that has developed as a result of fluid buildup and inflammation, causing compression and collapse of the lower lobe of the left lung, doctors said. The surgery will be done either through a small incision or with a video-assisted thoracoscope inserted between ribs.

Clinton's problem is a relatively rare complication of his surgery, where inflammation of the lining of the heart develops and fluid builds around it or in the lungs, said Dr. John LaRosa, president of the State University of New York Health Science Center in Brooklyn. It doesn't signal anything ominous about the former president's outlook, he said.

Bush: 'Freedom will prevail in Lebanon'

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - President Bush hailed fresh signs of democracy in the Middle East on Tuesday, saying authoritarian rule is "the last gasp of a discredited past" and demanding that Syria withdraw

from Lebanon. "Freedom will prevail in Lebanon," Bush declared, rejecting the message from a demonstration in Beirut by nearly 500,000 pro-Syrian protesters who chanted anti-American slogans. Bush instead took sides with anti-Syrian demonstrators of recent days who have demanded that Damascus remove its 14,000 troops from Lebanon.

"All the world is witnessing your great movement of conscience," Bush told the people of Lebanon.

"The American people are on your side. Millions across the Earth are on your side

Bush spoke at the National Defense University, a center for professional military education.

The speech was described as an update on the war on terrorism, a struggle that he linked with repressive conditions in the Middle East that he said give rise to extremism.

"The advance of hope in the Middle East requires new thinking in the region," the president said. "By now it should be clear that authoritarian rule is not the wave of the future. It is the last gasp of a discredited nast.

Bush said the entire world has "an urgent interest in the progress and hope and freedom in the broader Middle East."



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U.N. nominee to face tough hearings

BY LIZ SIDOTI The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - President Bush's pick of a vocal U.N. critic to be the next U.S. ambassador to the world body was meant to send a message that change is needed there, the

White House said Tuesday. Now undersecretary of state for arms control and international security, John R. Bolton was announced Monday as Bush's choice for the post. He is likely to face a tough Senate confirmation hearing before Democrats who argue that he has disdained the world body

and Republicans who are wary of him. But White House press secretary Scott Mc-Clellan said Bolton is the right man for the job at a time when the Bush administration is looking for reforms at the U.N.

"The president believes that there is more that needs to be done to make sure that it is an organization that is effective and an organization that is fulfilling its mandate," he said. "There are some areas where it can do much

Atop that list, McClellan said, is making

sure "that when resolutions are passed, that the Security Council means what it says."

"John Bolton is someone who is dedicated

to positive reforms at the United Nations." Mc-Clellan said. "He is a tough-minded diplomat,

someone who is committed to achieving results. Almost immediately after Bolton's nomination was announced. Democrats objected. Sen. Jo-seph Biden of Delaware, senior Democrat on the



great pause." The Republican chairman of the committee, Sen. Richard Lugar of Indiana, told reporters: "I'm going to reserve any comments about the appropriateness or not of the presi-

dent's choice Confirmation hearings are expected next

The appointment comes at a crucial time: U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan is going forward with plans to reform the world body, and U.S. opinion of the United Nations, particularly in Congress, is at a low.

In 2001, 43 Democratic senators opposed Bolton's nomination for his current post. He was confirmed anyway

During his tenure, Bolton has rankled lawmakers with his tough foreign policy talk. However, on Monday, he promised to work closely with Congress to advance Bush's policies. "Working closely with others is essential to ensure a safer world," he added. If confirmed, Bolton, 56, would succeed

former Sen. John Danforth Known for a hard-edged approach, Bolton's previous comments about troublesome foreign issues and regimes have been far from

Two years ago, he denounced North Korean leader Kim Jong II as a "tyrannical dictator." Furious, a North Korean spokesman said that "such human scum and bloodsucker" would be closed out of negotiations over the country's nuclear weapons program.

Concert for old stone

MADISON, Wis. - The University of Wisconsin-Madison is throwing a rock concert to celebrate the world's oldest stone

A piece of zirconium silicate some 4.4 billion years old and no bigger than a grain of sand will appear on stage next month with the New York band Jazz Passengers. who will use rocks as percussion instruments and recordings of rock strikes on a synthesizer keyboard.

Joe Skulan, director of the UW-Madison Geology Museum, said the event is meant not just to teach people more about the stone on loan from Australian researchers, but to groove to the idea that the stone is so old.

'Seabiscuit' horse dies

LEXINGTON, Ky. - I Two Step Too, one of 10 horses that portraved Seabiscuit in the 2003 movie about the famed thoroughbred, died Monday at the Kentucky Horse Park. He was 11.

I Two Step Too was euthanized because of a tumor in his nasal cavity, according to a release from the Horse Park. He had undergone surgery in December to remove the tumor, but it regenerated itself.

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Wife: Man tried to 'reason' with chim

SAN FRANCISCO - A man who was severely mauled by two chimpanzees at an animal sanctuary last week was quickly overwhelmed when the apes attacked. his wife said Monday.

"One was at his head, one was at his foot. But all that time ... he was trying to reason with them, a sobbing LaDonna Davis told ABC's "Good Morning America." "I couldn't do anything

Davis, 64, and her husband, St. James Davis, were visiting Ani-

mal Haven Ranch near Bakers field on Thursday when two male chimns escaped their enclosure and attacked the couple.

"When we made eye contact, the charge was on," LaDonna Davis said. "There was no stopping anything, and the big chimp came around from behind me and pushed me into my husband. The male came around from behind and chomped off my thumb. My husband must have realized we were in deep trouble because he pushed me backward. At that time, they both went for him

St. James Davis, 62, lost all the fingers from both hands, an eye, part of his nose, cheek, lips and part of his buttocks in the ferocious attack, his wife said over the weekend on NBC's "Today Show." She also said one of his feet was mutilated. A Kern Coun ty Sheriff's commander also said

his genitals were mauled. St. James Davis was being treated at Loma Linda University Medical Center, where doctors said his condition was "minute by

minute," his wife said Monday. "Right now what they are trying to do is keep his breathing constant," she said. "That's all they can tell me, but I told him that he can't leave me. He has to be

The Davises were visiting the sanctuary to celebrate the birthday of Moe - a 39-year-old chimpanzee who was taken from their home in West Covina, a Los Ange les suburb, after biting off part of a woman's finger in 1999.

Authorities were continuing to investigate how the two chimps, named Ollie and Buddy, got



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Lisa Simpson's voice gives us 'More'

BY LYNNE HEFFLEY

Los Angeles Times

HOLLYWOOD

y most measures, Yeardley Smith is a success: an Emmy Award, a reported \$5.5 million salary, a place in entertainment history as part of TV's longest-running sitcom.

Dressed in jeans, T-shirt and blue cardigan, Smith easily blends in with other mall denizens. But

Smith steps out alter-ego's shadow with one-woman show

ing?

"I washed my purse last night, and it was still damp this morning," she offers.

Ah, earnest and obscure. An explanation worthy of Smith's animated alter ego: brainy, soulful and quirky Lisa, whom she voices on "The Simpsons."

That's life for an invisible celeb-

ity

the universe," she says. "And I feel deeply connected to Lisa. I'm so proud of her."

And yet, the anonymity Smith experiences as the voice of a cartoon character, while comfortable, is peculiarly chafing for someone who would "never, ever take the liberty of resting on my laurels in any way, shape or form."

So much so, that she is stepping out of her comfort zone with an in-

tensely personal one-woman show. Called "More," it is a seriocomic chronicle of what has been a lifetime quest for enough fame, enough love — and enough food to assuage Smith's "sucking vor-

Directed by Tony Award-winning actor Judith Ivey, "More" ran off-Broadway last year; a revised version of the show opened Feb. 18 for a three-week run at the

tex of need" to succeed.

Falcon Theatre in Burbank, Calif.
"It was important that it be

"It was important that it be funny, but I had to dig deep to do it well," Smith says. "It's the hardest work I've ever done."

Among the intimacies she shares within a framework of whimsy and salty humor is her secret battle with bulimia

"More" isn't about "chest-pounding," Ivey insists. "It's whimsical and wacky with a universality to it, whether you're bulimic or not, whether you're an



Just because you've chosen to

avoid the debt collector doesn't

For starters, you are still liable for any legitimate debt you owe.

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Debt collectors can call you at home between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m.

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less you inform them your em-

used to getting hung up on.

Debt collectors say they are

"That doesn't mean we are going to go away," said Joyce Anderton, a partner at ACH Fi-

nancial Group, a Kansas-based

When calling, debt collectors cannot misrepresent their identi-

ty, and they must use business-

like language. They also cannot make repetitive or excessively

ployer prohibits it.

collections agency.

And by the time a debt collec-

mean action isn't being taken

Owe money? Can't dodge debt collectors

BY IEVA M. AUGSTUMS The Dallas Morning News

If you don't think you've dealt with a debt collector, you may al-

ready have. That letter in the mail saying you owe money for an overdue DVD rental — chances are it's

from a collection agency And those dinnertime phone calls you ignore may not be

telemarketers but creditors in-If you use credit cards, have

loans or pay utility bills, you have debts. And if you fall behind even by a few days in paying those debts or if an error is made on your accounts, debt collectors can contact you by mail and phone until they hear from you. Yes, it's annoying. And yes, it

can be time-consuming. But creditors and consumer advocates agree you can't ignore it.

'The important thing is to communicate," said Harry Strausser III, president of the Association of Credit and Collection Professionals, a Minneapolis-based trade group that represents collection agencies.

"Don't avoid the call. Don't avoid the letter. It's in your best interest to find out more about the obligation."

The Federal Trade Commisprohibits professional, third-party collection businesses, agents and attorneys from treating you unfairly.

The Fair Debt Collection Practices Act also specifically prohibits the use of harassment and false statements by debt collec-

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tors. States have similar laws

As a consumer, you have rights under the laws. But so do debt collectors. They know their rights, so

it's good for you to know yours. So you've been contacted by a debt collector. Now what? First, don't panic. It means someone val-

ues your business. Second, don't get angry. The Federal Trade Commission restricts the actions of anyone try-

ing to collect money you owe. The laws cover personal, fami-ly and household debts, including money owed for automobiles medical expenses and credit-card

charges In most cases, a debt collector's first contact is made through the

However, if you first receive a phone call, the debt collector must send you written notification within five working days detailing the amount of debt; the name of the creditor who referred the debt to the collector: and what action to take if you believe you do not owe the money.

Leaving a message on your answering machine doesn't count The debt collector must speak with the debtor. In some states a debtor's spouse qualifies.

When debt collectors make the first contact, whether by phone or mail, they are obliged to identify themselves, tell you they are attempting to collect a debt and explain that any information they obtain will be used for that purpose

It's usually in your best interest to talk to them. However, if you feel that you have been wrongfully contacted or if your debt is more

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complicated than just an overdue DVD, you don't have to settle the debt in that initial phone call

"Be careful. Don't give them all your information right away. You have some time," said Bud Hibbs, a financial counselor and consultant in Fort Worth, Texas. "The biggest mistake that customers make is giving access to their

money If you don't agree with the col30 days to dis pute - in writing — all or part of the debt.

The debt collector must then proof of the deht and ston all collection efforts until the verification mailed to you.

"It's good to have a paper trail," Hibbs said. "That way you have proof if you need to dispute or report a violation."

You also have the option to request that the collector cease communication with you. At that time, the debt collector may then contact you only once more to advise you if further action including legal action — will be

Be careful. That request could

be more costly than the debt it-self, especially if you have to take

And also be aware that if a

court enters a judgment against

you, the creditor may repossess

your property or garnishee your

And what if you file personal bankruptcy? The debt collectors

won't contact you anymore. Instead, they'll deal with your lawyer and the bankruptcy court.

on attorney and court fees.

frequent phone calls to annoy or What they can do is contact peo-ple who aren't directly involved in your debt to get information on where you live and work — as long

as they don't talk about the debt. But they can only contact each person once, unless they believe the person gave incomplete infor-

mation. More often than not, consumers think debt collectors are out to get them, Anderton said.

I think they think we are going to say 'pay it,' no matter what," she said. "We just want to talk to you, find out why you have the debt and help you figure out how to pay it back

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To our readers

Tom Philpott's column will return to Your Money on Thursday.

ents and Sensibility Money tip of the day

Cracking passwords

Our computer-based world is now a maze of passwords, designed to protect our sensitive data from thieves and snoops. We mix and match birth dates. maiden friends, ages, addresses and nicknames in a jumble of codes for our electronic selves.

But are we safe? The folks at Fiberlink Communications Corp., a Blue Bell, Pa.-based maker of software and other high-tech products, conducted a recent password-cracking experiment. With an eight-character password on a standard 95-character keyboard, there are quite a few

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exact, according to Fiberlink.

combinations

And the combination that was

The company then tested a standard computer's calculative prowess against our common habit of using simple words as passcodes to protected electron ic areas

So, for the example, using the word "password" as the pass-word, a standard desktop computer took less than a second to determine this, when assem-bling all the different letter combinations. Adding the single digit 1 to the password required 3 seconds. Typing "password" with an asterisk in the middle took the computer 38 seconds to decipher

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| 6 | AFN-P | •ESPNews | Pacific Report | Two and a Half Men Frankie ex- plains herself. (CC) | (:25) Will & Grace "Speechless" Jack's commencement ad- dress. | Desperate Housew residents of Wisteria their lives after trage | Lane take stock of | A Katie Couric Spe Teens & Sex The fir survey of young teer and behaviors. (CC) | ndings of a national | Pacific Report | The Tonight Show | With Jay Leno (CC) | Late Show With David Letterman (CC) |
| 7 | AFN-ATL | (5:46) Oprah Win- frey (CC) | (:35) Guiding Light | (CC) | (:17) General Hos- nital (CC) | Headline News | Judge Judy (CC) | Today (CC) | | | | Legend of Tarzan "Silver Ape" (CC) | Aaahh! Real Mon sters (CC) |
| 8 | NEWS | The O'Reilly Factor | r (OC) | Nightline (CC) | Nightly Business Report (CC) | Dan Rather: A Rep | orter Remembers | American Morning | | | | Silvei Ape (OO) | sters (CO) |
| 9 | SPORTS | To Be Announced | | SportsCenter | neport (CO) | | eams to Be Announc | ed. (Taped) | | | SportsCenter | | To Be Announce |
| 10 | SPEC | | Everybody Loves Raymond Intimate flashback. (CC) | American Idol (CC | | The Practice "Baby clean with Lindsay a divorce seems immi | about his affair and | 48 Hours Mystery " March?" A mother w trace. (CC) | Where is Mrs. anishes without a | Friends Rachel will do anything to give birth. (CC) | Seinfeld Jerry seeks Chinese chewing gum. | The Daily Show With Jon Stewart (CC) | Blind Date (CC) |
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| 14 | AFN-MOV TMC | (4:30) *** "The | Ent. Tonight (:25) *** "Swimn Kevin Spacey, Frank torments his eager | ning With Sharks" (Whaley, A Hollywoo | " (1999, Comedy) Ja 1995, Comedy) d hotshot endlessly | ★% "Barb Wire" (19 Temuera Morrison. | (194) **\: "What L 196, Adventure) Pam Victoria Rowell. A bei in a civil war. 'R' (CC) | autiful bounty hunter | (:45) ** "Species | ' (1995, Science Fic | er. tion) Ben Kingsley, N ed creature may dest | stasha Henstridge. | (:35) * "Species II" (1998) Michael Madsen. 'R' (CC) |
| 24 | PBS | Dragon Tales "Sky | | The NewsHour Wit | h Jim Lehrer (N) | The New This Old (CC) | | Antiques Roadsho iron monkey cap sho ding necklace; match | w "Memphis" Cast ooter; Tibetan wed- | Egypt's Golden Er became known as t of the New Kingdon | he greatest pharaoh | Charlie Rose (N) (0 | |
| 25 | SHOW | nell, Alfre Woodard, her caretaker learn t | on Fish" (1992, Dra David Strathairn. A I friendship. 'R' (CC) | oitter paraplegic and | (:45) The L Word Season 2: All L Breaks Loose | Gerard Butler, Ciara box. 'PG-13' (CC) | n Hinds. The globe-t | dle of Life" (2003, Ar rotter battles a scient | ction) Angelina Jolie, ist for Pandora's | *x "House of the I Tyron Leitso, Clint I an island. 'R' (CC) | Dead" (2003, Horror) Howard. Young people | battle zombies on | ** "Backstage" (2000) 'R' (CC) |
| 27 | A&E | City Confidential B pected of murdering indicted. (CC) | | American Justice of Teena Brandon Teena Brandon. (CC | xploring the life of | free. (CC) | iller in the County; Th | ne Missing Informant | A killer of four goes | tion. (CC) | hborhood's silence ted murder investiga- | Crossing Jordan " investigates the dea abandoned her pos | th of a corporal wh |
| 28 | DISC | To Be Announced | | To Be Announced | | Superstructures | | To Be Announced | | To Be Announced | | To Be Announced | |
| 29 | TFC | (:15) TV Patrol Worl | ld | Maala-ala Mo Kaya | (In Tagalog) | (:05) Insider | Kumusta Kabayan | • | | Wowowee | | (:15) Home Boy | |
| 30 | CNN-I | Lou Dobbs Tonight | | CNN Daybreak | | | | American Morning | (CC) | | | | |
| 31 | GOLF | Trophee Lancome | Highlights | ●Golf Central | •What's in the Bag? | ●European PGA G | olf Qatar Masters | First Round. From Qu | star. (Live) | | | ●Golf Central | ●European PGA Golf |
| 32 | TLC | Sports Disasters (0 | | Mega Moves "Tall T locate super-tall and (N) | top heavy towers. | Overhaulin' (CC) | | Sports Disasters (0 | CC) | Mega Moves "Tall 1 locate super-tall an | owers" Engineers re- d top heavy towers. | In a Fix "Arabian Ni home improvement. | ghts" Harvey tries (CC) |
| 34 | TOON | | ry | Courage the Cow- ardly Dog | Masters of the Universe | Justice League | Teen Titans | Cartoon Cartoon C | | Samurai Jack | He-Man and the Masters of the Universe | What's New Scoo- by-Doo? | |
| 35 | ANPL | Pet Star Jump-ropin horse; flying disc do chores. | g; parrot that does | Animal Cops Hous elty" Emaciated dog horse can't stand. (f | s; starving chickens; I) | The Planet's Funni | | Pet Star Jump-ropin horse; flying disc do chores. | g; parrot that does | elty" Emaciated dog horse can't stand. | ston "Busted for Cru- is; starving chickens; | The Most Extreme 10 smelliest animals | s in the world. (CC) |
| 36 | СОМ | Crank Yankers Spoonie Luv makes a mess. | South Park Boys are plagued by schoolmates. (CC) | Drawn Together Clara searches for love. (CC) | Shorties Watchin' Shorties Jay Mohr. (CC) | The Daily Show With Jon Stewart Christina Ricci. (N) | Distraction Con- testants play leap frog. (CC) | Clara searches for love. (CC) | Shorties Watchin' Shorties Jay Mohr. (CC) | The Daily Show With Jon Stewart Christina Ricci. | Distraction Con- testants play leap frog. (CC) | Wanda Does It (CC) | Wanda Does It Wanda tries pho- tography. (CC) |
| 40 | NGC-A | Evolution "Darwin's Why Charles Darwir evant and debated. | n's idéas are still rel- | Snake Wranglers Rattlesnakes. | Croc Chronicles "Beasts of Botswana" | Built for the Kill "G cheetahs stalk gaze ards try to ambush | lles; stealthy leop- prey. | Realm of the Mugg serving the behavior crocodile in souther | of the mugger India. | Aerial Odyssey Greece | Egypt's Hidden Treasures | Frontlines of Cons riors" | |
| 42 | SPIKE | MXC (N) | MXC "The Winter Sports Special" | MXC "Cows and Cars" | MXC | MXC | MXC | World's Wildest Po | | Blind Date (CC) | Shipmates | Maximum Exposur ter" A twister explod | es a house. |
| 43 | FOX | That '70s Show Caroline stalks Fez. (CC) | goes on the pill. | The Simpsons Homer becomes a hippie. (CC) | Seinfeld Jerry ap- pears on "Today." (CC) | mer and Seth share leaves Zach at the a | a kiss when she airport. (N) | Stars Without Make | | News | | Lisa cheats on a test. (CC) | Seinfeld A base- ball hero falls for Elaine. (CC) |
| 44 | DEI | music. (N) | | est in contemporary | | Highlights. (CC) | | Top 10 Live 'Top 10 | | Soul Food "Runnin Ahmad gets caught | in a lie. | BET Late | |
| 46 | COURT | NYPD Blue "Guns & and Clark probe the an abortion clinic. (C | fatal firebombing of C) | Cops Home inva- sion suspect chased and shot. | Cops A toddler is kidnapped. (CC) | The Investigators ' Prominent citizen ch murder. | narged with wife's | | Body of Evidence: From the Case Files | The Investigators ' Grave' A teacher di | | Hollywood Heat "Academy Awards Preview" (N) | Hollywood Justic Director Roman Polanski. |
| 48 | STR-WLD | | The Drew Carey Show (CC) | Star News Focus Asia | Friends (CC) | American Idol (CC | | Robbie Williams: R Show Must Go On | - | Outback Jack | | Friends (CC) | American Idol (CC) |
| 50 | LIFE | transplant recipient | glimpses her donor's | | | The Nanny Fran and Grace enter a beauty contest. | The Golden Girls Sophia invests in a fighter. (CC) | receives a marriage proposal. | The Golden Girls Dorothy tops a for- mer rival. (CC) | The Division "Don" tion into the death o (CC) | of a college student. | Suddenly Susan Overcoming Mad- dy's antagonism. | Paid Program |
| 51 | ABCFAM | (5:00) "School of L Paymer. A teacher a compete for an awa | nd his counterpart rd. (CC) | Whose Line Is It Anyway? "Weird Newscasters." | Whose Line Is It Anyway? "Let's Make a Date." | The 700 Club (CC) | | est Home Videos Sports clips. (CC) | America's Funni- est Home Videos (CC) | Paid Program | Paid Program | The 700 Club (CC) | |
| 53 | HIST | (5:00) Shot From th | | Modern Marvels "V Bridge" The longest (CC) | bridge in the world. | Battlefield Detectiv American War: Battl can and U.S. armies | le of Palo Alto" Mexi- s clash. (CC) | Shot From the Sky are arrested by the | German Gestapo du | ring World War II. (C) | C) . | Modern Marvels "V Bridge" The longest (CC) | bridge in the world |
| 57 | STR-MV | (5:15) ** "Buried Alive II" (1997, Suspense) | | | (:20) "Lost Junction Burke, Jake Busey: I to clear her name. | n" (2002, Drama) Ne A murder suspect an | | Campbell, Sam She plot to kill the presid | ent. | e is involved in a | Kirsten Dunst, Richa girl and a creature t | he Prophecy" (2003 ard Harris, Anjelica H ry to save a huge tre | luston. Animated. A e. |
| 58 | ADV 1 | •(5:30) Action Asia Challenge | Game for It | Total Adventure "Paragliding Nepal" | Adventure Challe dition along the whit Amazon. | nge A rafting expe- e waters of the | Different Ball Game Turks wrestling in oil. | Adventure Planet | Game for It | Action Asia Chal chanaburi, Thailand | lenge From Kan- | Next Wave Study- ing bull elephant seals. | Total Adventure "Unicycling Mexico |
| 59 | MTV | The Osbournes | The Osbournes | J-Lo: CEO (N) | | The Real World Shavonda consid- ers confessing. | The Real World "Philadelphia" (CC) | The Real World Willie flirts with an- other guy. (CC) | The Real World "Philadelphia" (CC) | MTV Cribs | MTV Cribs | Punk'd | Punk'd |
| 60 | NICK | Zoey 101 Logan gets the lead role in the play. | Rugrats Tommy and Chuckie fear a dust bunny. | The Adventures of Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius | The Fairly Odd- Parents Timmy be- comes popular. | SpongeBob SquarePants (CC) | Romeo! Romeo makes the varsity basketball team. | Full House "Rock the Cradle" Rebec- ca is pregnant. | Full House Rebec- ca is expecting twins. (CC) | The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air Jazz's fi- ancee. (CC) | The Cosby Show Clair is beginning menopause. (CC) | Roseanne Getting closer to the chil- dren. (CC) | Murphy Brown The F.Y.I. staff makes a bet. (CC) |

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STARS STRIPES. LETTERS TO THE EDITOR/OPINION

CCB has a history

New badge? All for it! This whole idea was copied from the Ger-mans in World War II. They awarded it to infantrymen and all combat/combat support military occupational specialties that we have today; artillery, engineers and the like.

The new name is even a direct translation of the German award, called then the Nah kampfabzeichen, which translates directly to "Close Combat Badge

Respect to all the truck drivers who seem to get a lot of special attention during convoy duty by insurgents, but sorry, you shouldn't get it. Like my dad said in the Ko-"Our cooks carry rifles, but they rean War don't get CIBs."

Aviators? We should get (as in World War II) a "combat aviator designator," as well. Back then, it was a piece of aviation blue wool sewn on the dress tunic, and your wings were pinned over it. It showed everyone that you were flying combat missions. The Air Medal is normally the aviators' "I was there" medal I won the Air Medal with device for flying direct combat missions. However, I watched an awards ceremony and saw an overweight specialist who also got an Air Medal for riding in the back seat of an OH-58 to go pick up a gearbox in Saudi Arabia. Fair? No.

This is my point. Combat arms soldiers. and otherwise nonrecognized troopers (cavalry scouts, etc.), and, on a case-by-case basis civil affairs guys, if they are attached to a fighting element that does not get the Combat Infantryman Badge should get the new badge, 'Nuff said!

Chief Warrant Officer Jim Calhoun Schweinfurt, Germany

Craving 'chest candy' crummy

I'm an infantry soldier and I've read a bunch of letters in the past few weeks about the new Close Combat Badge. It proves that if you whine about some-

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thing long enough, someone up top will bend to your wishes. Next thing you know we'll have a combat admin badge, a combat cook badge, a combat commo badge, a combat legal badge, a combat military police hadge, a combat air traffic controller hadge. a combat mortuary affairs badge and a combat military intelligence badge.

I don't know one person in my military occupational specialty who joined the Army to get badges. If all you people want is chest candy, then get out and join the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts of America.

How many of you people have performed medical tasks in combat? I have. Do I de-serve the Combat Medical Badge? Absolutely not. But according to logic coming from all the people who want a new badge, I deserve it. I probably just started something new, now everyone will want CMBs, too.

To the people who think a new badge is an

incentive for retention: Come on, I don't want a soldier to re-enlist because he got a new cool-guy badge. I want a soldier to re-enlist because it's right for him and he feels he can benefit the Army. If you want a paper soldier, fine. Just please keep them out of the infantry; we don't need them.

Bottom line: If you want a Combat Infantryman Badge, join the infantry or Special Forces. If you want a CMB, join the medical corps; if you want the CCB, join those MOSs. Just quit complaining; you're going to make the badges we have worthless and there are a lot more important things to express opinions about while in combat.

Staff Sgt. Rvan Brophy

Bagram, Afghanistan

You can have his badge

In response to those who have written about the Close Combat Badge, I ask: Why did you deploy to Iraq or Afghanistan? Did you just deploy to earn a badge to sew on your uniform?

My father ran recon with Military Assistance Command Vietnam, which was recently declassified. For anyone who knows anything about MACV, I do not have to explain who they are and what they did in Vietnam or the surrounding area.

I have never heard my father complain about not receiving a badge or an award from his tour in Vietnam. All I heard my father say was that it was a blessing to have survived Vietnam, reunite with his wife, raise three children, and to have served his country honorably.

Is a badge that important for you to have?
If a Close Combat Badge is that important to you can come to Fort Hood, Texas, and I will gladly give you mine. I'll even pay for the sewing. I am more thankful to have extended a hand of selfless service to the people of Iraq and to be alive, than to complain about who gets what award for whatever they did or did not do in a combat zone.

Sgt. Nicholas J. Varney Camp New York, Kuwait

Give Lebanon back to the Lebanese

hen 34-year-old Bashar Assad became president of Syria in 2000 after the death of longtime dictator Hafez Assad, two schools of thought quickly emerged: The son was either the new Mafia don of Syria, or, as one story put it, he was "a modern young man who would like to bring his country into the Internet era and fight corrup-

From the evidence to date, the callow assad chose to adopt his father's Assad brass-knuckled style to become the Michael Corleone of Syria.

But if he still harbors even the smallest impulse of reform, now is his chance to

prove it. Last month's assassination of former Leb

anese Prime Minister Rafik Hariri, a foe of Suria has amused a tide of regulation among

occupation of their country - whether or not Syria was responsible. Assad's tepid offer to move his 14,000 troops in Lebanon closer to the Syrian border and eventually out of the country is too little, too late.

There is no justification for this occupation of a neighboring country that has a right to be free of the oppressive foreign presence. As if to underline how unacceptable Syria's role in Lebanon has become. both France and the United States — how's that for an unlikely alliance? - have joined hands to urge "the immediate withdrawal of all Syrian military and intelligence forces from Lebanon."

Given the fragile political balance inside Lebanon - Hezbollah, a sworn enemy of Israel, is the largest party in Parliament - a precipitous Syrian pullout is not in anyone's interest. But a promise to leave by a time store political balance in the region. Change will not be easy. At the moment, Lebanon does not have the resources to ex-

tend its authority over its entire territory If the Syrian forces were to leave, West-ern countries — most prominently, France should be prepared to provide security as-

sistance to ensure stability until the Leba-nese can do the job. Assad must surely be aware that a new current is running through the Middle East. It's not only the Lebanese marching in the

streets of Beirut by the thousands who reject terrorists and their sponsors.

It's not too late for Assad himself to

change. Western countries can bring pressure to bear if he doesn't, or - should he reform — they can extend the sort of trade-and-aid benefits that typically are denied to dictators. Perhaps Assad would recognize that as an offer he can't refuse

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU

OPINION

No longer business as usual in Arab world

ho on Earth wants to be known as the last foe of freedom? Not Crown Prince Abdullah of Saudi Arabia, who last Thursday joined a chorus of leaders telling Syrian President Bashar Assad to end his nation's three-decade occupation of Lebanon

Not Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, who abruptly announced plans to hold the first free, multiparty election in his country's history

Not President Mahmoud Abbas, whose path to Palestinian independence is now blocked less by Israel than by peace-averse militant groups such as Islamic Jihad and

And certainly not the brave peoples of Afghanistan, of Georgia, of Ukraine, of Iraq, who have raised loud their voices for free dom, often at peril to their lives. Each day, new tremors signal populist demands in lands where freedom has not thrived. This is, then, one of those explosive moments when history is written not in books, but screaming headlines

Now it is Lebanon's turn, with citizens by the millions heralding a "cedar revolution Is it possible that Iran, with its repressive and unpopular mullahs, could be next? And in sclerotic Syria, who today would buy Assad futures? That, of course, is the dilemma dictators face in these moments of tumult: When history lurches, where will it next land? For that matter, why does it lurch? Why is this happening now

The prophet pro tem of the world's spread ing freedom movement is Walid Jumblatt, the influential patriarch of Druze Muslims in Lebanon. He has long been a critic of the United States and Israel, but of late has been a thorn to the occupying Syrians.

Since he spoke to a Washington Post columnist on Feb. 23, his assessment — heresy to many listeners - has resonated around the globe: "It's strange for me to say it, but this process of change has started because of the American invasion of Irag. I was cynical about Iraq. But when I saw the Iraqi peonle voting three weeks ago 8 million of them, it was the start of a new Arab world. The Syrian people, the Egyptian people, all say that something is changing. The Berlin Wall has fallen. We can see it."

On the same evening Jumblatt spoke, a hitherto unthinkable headline - it, too, continues to ripple around the world — erupted on the Web site of the German newsmagazine Der Spiegel: "Could George W. Bush be right?"

Reneath that radical thought writer Claus Christian Malzahn likened Bush's then pending visit to Germany to President Ronald Reagan standing before the Brandenburg Gate in 1987: "Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this

In January, setting the tone of his second term, Bush had told reporters: "I believe de-mocracy can take hold in parts of the world that have been condemned to tyranny. And I believe when democracies take hold, it leads to neace?

The response in Der Spiegel: "Bush's idea of a Middle Eastern democracy imported at the tip of a bayonet is, for (German liberals), the hysterical offspring of the American neo-cons. Even German conservatives find the idea that Arabic countries could transform themselves into enlightened democracies somewhat absurd. ... Europeans today just like the Europeans of 1987 — cannot imagine that the world might change. ... We Europeans always want to have the world from vesterday, whereas the Americans strive for the world of tomorrow.



In a follow-up article, Der Spiegel asked, "How quickly can the virus of democracy

That is the question for other desnots as they contemplate the likely fate of Saddam Hussein. They're trapped in their own spider holes. No longer can they survive solely by stoking public hatred of the Great Satan. As citizens who witness democracy in neighboring Iraq and upheaval in Lebanon ask. "Why not us?" the enemy of the tyrant becomes not so much the United States, but the aspirations of his own people.

No movement has only one catalyst: Pales-

tinians, for example, needed to be free of Yasser Arafat before independence could emerge as an option. But Washington's muscular diplomacy unarguably is playing a crucial role throughout the Mideast. For one repressive regime after another, the sight of American soldiers at long last enforcing United Nations resolutions - and bestowing democracy on a subjugated people - surely must concentrate the mind

History written in headlines can reverse course just as fast. We are a long way from knowing whether the still unfinished libera-tion of Iraq helps transform a troubled region. But for the foes of freedom, the Mideast must feel like a suddenly smaller place.

eapons America needs to de fend itself in the future will have to be slashed. Incentives for young people to join the vol unteer military are in jeopardy even as U.S. forces are being strained in Afghani heing

Myriam Marquez



Congress

veterans benefits that

approved

since 1999. "The amounts have gotten to the point where they are hurtful. They are taking away from the nation's ability to defend itself," Chu told The Wall Street Journal recently

Chu's remarks became the Pentagon's shot heard around the blogosphere. aren't going down without a fight.

The Pentagon estimates increases in bene fits, some approved by Congress during the Clinton administration, will cost \$100 billion more in the next six years. But whose fault is that? Those benefits were promised long Then the government tried to wiggle out of its obligation. After veterans groups, a powerful voting bloc, forced the issue, both Republicans and Democrats came to the res cue - despite the Bush administration's attempts to nickel-and-dime vets.

You don't take on the Greatest Generation without paying a political price. But President Bush, having won a second term to office with strong support from veterans, has nothing to lose. Forget veterans benefits -

Bush's priority remains tax cuts. He wants tax cuts that disproportionately help the richest Americans, reasoning they will create more jobs and strengthen the economy.

Except too many of those jobs are going to India, China and so forth. Not just grunt work, but technical jobs, too, that pay well.

Thomas H. Corey, national president of Vietnam Veterans of America, fired his own volley back at the Bush administration after ased the latest veterans budget proposal, which would require that certain veterans pay more for their health care. president is mistaken if he believes that 58 nercent of veterans voted for the Bush-Cheney ticket last year to give his administration a mandate to cut funds for vet-erans," Corey said. "If he believes that veterans voted to restrict access to health care, he

Hey, tell that to the Swift Boat boys who sought to besmirch Sen. John Kerry's mili-tary service during the presidential cam-

Bush's designs on veterans benefits fail inspection

Several veterans groups, including the Disabled American Veterans, AMVETS, the Paralyzed Veterans of America and Veterans of Foreign Wars have put together their own budget proposal. They figure the Department of Veterans Affairs needs \$31.2 billion for medical care

The administration is proposing \$27.8 billion — a less than one-half percent increase. Adjusted for inflation, Bush's plan amounts to a cut.

Bush wants to increase vets' medical-insurance enrollment to \$250 a year, raise prescription copayments and restrict certain care. This would drive 213,000 vets, many al-ready on tight retirement budgets, away

from the VA medical system, the veterans groups estimate.

Long-term care would be gutted under the Bush plan, too, serving 27 percent fewer vets in 2006 than in 1998.

Pitting military retirees and vets against those who are serving today is a sideshow that hides the main event — the true reasons for the federal budget crunch. Exploding annual deficits have more to do with Rush's penchant for over-the-top tax cuts than long-overdue benefits for those who risked their lives to defend this country during two world wars, Korea, Vietnam, and all the other military operations to this day. Veterans' benefits don't deserve to be on the chopping block.

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Mallard Fillmore

BY BRUCE TINSLEY



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Car theft capital

MD UPPER Nearly half of all auto thefts in Maryland occur in Prince George's County, though the jurisdiction has only about 15 percent of the state's population, officials say. State delegates from

the county are seeking legislation to help solve the problem.

One bill would require insurance companies to contribute a dellar

One bill would require insurance companies to contribute a dollar for every car insured to a state fund devoted to combating vehicle theft.

Riverside development

AL 4.5 miles along the Cahaba River in suburban Birmingham will be kept in its natural state as part of 325 acres set aside for conservation by the developer of the upscale Liberty Park.

The area will be off-limits to future construction or tree clearing and will be maintained in a way that meets federal, state or city conservation policies, project manager Sam Lowery said.

Working for a nonprofit

BOSTON — The state's hoperofit work force provide work force provide where the state's who are all end of the state's work force and the state's work force proposed to the state's work force. That's nearly double the national average of 6.9 percent. Only North Dakota, Washington, D.C., and Vermont have higher percentages of workers in the nonprofit sector, according to the Massachusetts Institute for a New Commonwealth.

Gimme the M.O.N.E.Y

GA ATLANTA — Marilou Braswell, former University of Georgia cheerleading coach, still owes UGA more than \$300,000 for expenses she ran up in there on-campus cheerleading camps she hosted last summer, officials say.

A university lawyer says Braswell could face legal action if she doesn't pay up soon. Braswell's husband said the couple disputes the amount UGA says she owes. The university cited food, housing and other services it provided for Braswell's private corporation.

Dude, that's my shirt

GRAPEVINE — As Napoleon Dynamite would put it, a sweet deal has fallen into Randall Sowa's lap.

For four summers in the 1980s, Sowa hawked T-shirts with a helicopter image on them designed by a pal, Phil Goettl. Each summer there was a different design. And each summer Sowa sold a couple of hundred shirts to the rough-and-tumble guys who explored—with dynamite—for oil and natural gas in remote areas of the West.

AMERICAN ROUNDUP

Two decades later, the geeky, quirky, tetherball-loving Napoleon, title hero of the wildly popular cult movie, showed up onscreen wearing these same shirts.

Since "Napoleon Dynamite" was released last spring, Sowa has sold several thousand of the helicopter tees online. Now the shirts will be sold in 600 Hot Topic stores in malls in all 50 states and Puerto Rico.

The film, made in 2003 by the husband-and-wife team of Brigham Young University students Jared and Jerusha Hess, has grossed more than \$45 million in theaters alone and sold more than a million DVDs in about three months.

Ice cream truck fatality

WEST PALM BEACH — A 2-year-old boy was fatally injured when he ran into the path of an ice cream truck in the parking lot of his apartment complex, and the driver allegedly left the scene, authorities said.

Angela Rodriguez, 27, later turned herself in and was charged with leaving the scene of a fatality, which carries a possible 15-year prison sentence. She was jailed in



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With the Washington Monument in
the background, a pair of sailors
maneuver their boat on the
Potomac River in Washington as
temperatures rose to about 50
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lieu of \$100,000 bail.

Witnesses said the driver got out of her truck after the wreck and moved the boy.

Moses Joseph, before driving away.

Moses died after his mother, Emmanuelle Richard ran to him

"That's all she has," said family friend John Chery, who had been on his way to pick up Moses to go to a park. "You just don't know how lovable this child was."

Plateau drilling

GRAND JUNCTION

Mess County commissioners backed a recommendation by
federal officials for managing the
Roan Plateau in western Colorado
The plan would allow limited driling on the plateau, an area that environmentalists say is rich with
wildlife and diverse ecosystems.
Elected officials in at least five cities in neighboring Garfield County
oppose the proposal.

Price of prosecution

AZ PHOENIX — Maricopa County Attorney Andrew Thomas asked county supervisors for an additional \$6.3 million this year to shore up salaries for prosecutors. The office experienced 17 percent turnover last year. Thomas said that more than 70 percent of all county prosecutors have five years' experience or less.

One seat, 3 candidates

DUBUQUE — Democrats are lining up to run in 2006 for Congress in eastern Iowa's 1st District. Rick Dickinson, an economic development official in Dubuque, announced in interpolation of the control of t

Avalanche kills man

ASPEN — A man taking an avalanche awareness class died after being trapped in a slide outside the boundaries of the Aspen Highlands ski area, sheriff's officials said.

The man died within a half-hour of being pulled alive from the avalanche, said Ann Stephenson of the Pitkin County sheriff's office.

His name, age and hometown were not released until his family could be notified. Officials were investigating the death.

The man was in a group of six people who were part of a class sponsored by the backcountry expedition company Aspen Expeditions, Stephenson said. A man answering the phone at Aspen Expeditions referred all questions to au

It was not clear what triggered the avalanche.

Early estimates were that the avalanche slid 3,000 vertical feet, said mountain weather and avalanche forecaster Scott Toepfer of the Colorado Avalanche Information Center



World upside down Mike Brumet goes "over the falls" while riding a huge wave during the first heat of the Mavericks Surf Competition in Half Moon Bay, Calif.



It's a yawmer

A 4-week-old bear cub yawns while
its siblings rest after being weighed
and measured during a den study in Cottonball, Ark. Black bears in
Arkansas have been on the comeback trail for the past several decades.
After the bears were wiped out in the 19th and early 20th centuries,
blologists reintroduced 254 bears into the Arkansas wilderness during
the 1960s. Now the state's black bear population is about 3,500.



Alluring goods Claire Ablett, center, her husband, of Lincolnshire, England, look at Cartier watches while visiting upscale stores at the Mall at Millenia in Orlando, Fla.. Orlando tourism officials have unveiled an \$8 million marketing campaign to lure tourists seeking luxury goods.



On the march the fall of the Alamo in San Antonio.

Week 2005

People portraying the Texan army march during the San Antonio Living History Association's "Dawn at the Alamo," a ceremony commemorating



The husband and wife daredevil Circle of death team of Don Daniels II and Sandra D. ride the Wall of Death together on their vintage Harley and Indian motorcycles at the Iron Horse Saloon in Ormond Beach, Fla., during Bike



Logging out U.S. Forest Service Law Enforcement officers carry a chair with 72-year-old Joan Norman after she refused to move from a logging access road leading to the Fiddler timber sale in Oregon.



Clarence Lambert, with Expert Window Cleaning, Co., of Baton Rouge, La., Long brush strokes uses a water brush system reaching more than 40 feet from the ground to wash outside windows along the crosswalk from the Argosy Atrium to the casino in downtown Baton Rouge.

To reek or not to reek

CA SAN LUIS OBISPO — A new county law aims to keep readers from reeking.

Libraries in San Luis Obispo County have had their own rules banning offensive body odor since 1994, but the policy became law after the Board of Supervisors adopted an ordinance that lets authorities kick out malodorous guests

The law can raise tough questions for librarians, said Irene Macias, Santa Barbara's library services manager.

"What is bad odor?" Macias asked. "A woman who wears a strong perfume? A person who had a garlicky meal?'

'PEZheads' unite

WI DE PERE — For most people, PEZ is just a candy, but Barry Umbs calls his addiction to collecting PEZ dispensers "a bit of an illness.'

Umbs, an engineering manag for Rockwell Automation in Milwaukee, joined some 60 other self-described "PEZheads" at a convention in De Pere.

The man has been a feverish PEZ dispenser collector for the past 15 years, and seeks not only each kind of dispenser, such as ones featuring Bugs Bunny, but the same kind from different countries, with different patent numbers and packaging.

The event, the second held by Bryan and Tammy Lewis of De Pere, offered PEZheads the chance to buy, sell and swap their dispensers, show off their collections, and share PEZ news.

License to arrange roses BATON ROUGE — In Loui-

siana, not just anyone can sell a bunch of pretty flowers. You have to have a license

U.S. District Judge Frank Polozola ruled that the state can keep its unique law requiring florists to pass a test and get a license to work on their own. Would-be florists had argued that the law unconstitutionally bars them from entering the occupation.

About half of all applicants fail

the test, which includes a written exam and one in which they must create four floral arrangements in as many hours. Unlicensed "floral clerks" can work only in a shop that also has a licensed florist.

"There are few occupational licensing laws as crazy as this one in this country," said Clark Neily with the Institute for Justice, a libertarian nonprofit law firm in Washington, D.C.

Neily has argued that the ques-tion of who has floral talent should be left to the market: people whose arrangements are ugly would soon find themselves without customers.

Student stabbed at party

MA AMHERST — A Universi-ty of Massachusetts student was stabbed in the neck during a party on campus, school officials said

UMass spokesman Ed Blaguszewski said the stabbing occurred around 12:30 a.m. on a Sunday at the Student Union Ballroom. The crowd of about 700 gathered after a fashion show earlier in the evening at the Student Union.

The stabbing occurred during a fight that was broken up by UMass police officers using pepper spray. The student, who was not identified, was treated at Holyoke Hospital and released, Blaguszewski said. No suspects have been identified

Don't fish the state fish

NE LINCOLN — An animal rights group has a beef with the state fish. People for the Ethical Treat-

ment of Animals is asking Gov. Dave Heineman to declare the channel catfish, Nebraska's state

fish, off limits to fishing. PETA launched a campaign last year to ban fishing, arguing that it is a cruel thing to do.

Heineman rejected the request. 'Fishing is a time honored tradition in Nebraska, and I have no intention of modifying Nebraska's fishing guidelines," he said.

Better than 'Survivor'

CA SAN FRANCISCO — They value privacy, solitude and penthouse living.

And yet expectant parents George and Gracie are now starring in their own reality show.

All it takes are two peregrine falcons, one Web camera and \$30,000 from a corporate giant.

"They're part of life here in downtown San Francisco," said Brian Swanson, a spokesman for that corporate giant, Pacific Gas and Electric Co. The birds live on a 33rd-floor

ledge of the utility's headquarters. An Internet presence will substantially increase the rantors' you. euristic fan club. The comings and goings of the falcons can be seen at www.scpbrg.org.

Destructive grass fires

CARSON — Grass fires driv-en by 45 mph wind swept across an area of southwestern Iowa, destroying four rural homes and blackening more than 4,000 acres

The largest of the blazes was started by a house fire east of Carson, said Terry Hummel, the county's emergency management coordinator. It was not immediately clear if that house was one of the four that were destroyed.

The blazes jumped bare fields and ditches as wind gusted to 45 mph and temperatures rose to record highs in the 70s, spreading across about 12 miles in the county east of Omaha, Neb.

Two firefighters were treated for smoke inhalation.

Tomato, tamahto

NJ TRENTON — The humble tomato may technically be a fruit, but lawmakers here consider it a vegetable.

Members of the Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee on Monday approved a measure designating the Jersey tomato as the official state vegetable. A similar proposal is pending in a Senate committee.

Sponsors of the measure get around the fact that the tomato is considered a fruit by using a century-old U.S. Supreme Court ruling that slapped a vegetable tariff on to-matoes, similar to the tax placed on cucumbers, squashes and

"Botanically it's a fruit, legally it's a vegetable," said Sen. Ellen Karcher, who is co-sponsoring the Senate version of the bill.

Stories and photos from wire services

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Horoscope

The new moon in Pisces brings extraordinary powers of vulnerability. But wait - how can vulnerability be a "power"? It takes a strong person to let down the Holiday Mathis guard and allow the world to imprint its message. Before you use the new-moon energy to embark on your new goal, relationship or

project, take a moment to listen to the whispering wind TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 10). You follow through until you get what

you want! Learning how to conquer procrastination changes your year's complexion. The late spring shows you to be so attractive you'll need to guard your private time or it gets snatched up. Singles will date someone verv special. Start new projects in June. Your best signs for love are Capricorn and Virgo

ARIES (March 21-April 19).

You're in a dream state, fantasizing about the impossible - an insanely high target. You may as well believe you can do it. Your sign mate, Thomton Wilder, said, "Hope, like faith ... is nothing if it is not ridiculous."

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're getting the info you need to be a more efficient judge of character. You can look into your own future and see how a relationship will go. Hint: Someone who e-mails you constantly has too much time

GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

on his or her hands

Those close to you rely heavily on your abilities. Share the burden. You have terrific luck attracting just the person for the job, which makes this the perfect time to find a reliable mechanic, a kind dentist and a dependable baby sitter.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). While it's noble to take one for the team, it's stupid to take two, three or

four for the team. If you feel like you've been beaten up on the play ground of life, it's an excellent day to stand up to the bully

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Vibes are hot for getting into tiptop shape. Work it — you'll have fun, too. Warning: Be wary of a relationship that

involves not only the object of your affection but also an ever-present

mother figure. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Expectations are rising. You look around at the people close to you

and wonder, "What have you done for me lately?" Is it so wrong to want a love who can bring home the bacon and fry it up in a nan?

LIBRA (Sept.

23-Oct. 23). Anticipation can be exhilarating for a short while, but if it goes on longer, it's practically coma-inducing. When you find yourself waiting and waiting, repeat this mantra: "I am a self-empowered, radiant jewel.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're moving into a new chapter.

At the end of the day, evaluate your experiences to learn as much as

you can, appreciate the gifts acquired and move on Tomorrow literally get up on the other side of

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Socially, you're hot - of course. Who doesn't like being around someone who embraces it all — the funny, the embarrassing, the romantic and all those other experiences that make your days interesting?

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your special project is the focus. Work harder to convince the money people that yours is the one to back. This process will teach you much about your level of commitment and how strong you are in your convictions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Respect, not money, is the issue, though they get tangled into one another. For family harmony, schedule personal alone time, and then, keep the appointment. When you're happy with you, others give you

golden treatment. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The late nights are starting to catch up to you. If you can barely keep your eyes open at work, you're not the only one. Grab a colleague, and take a walk to the coffee stand down the block. The gossip you learn is

enlightening.

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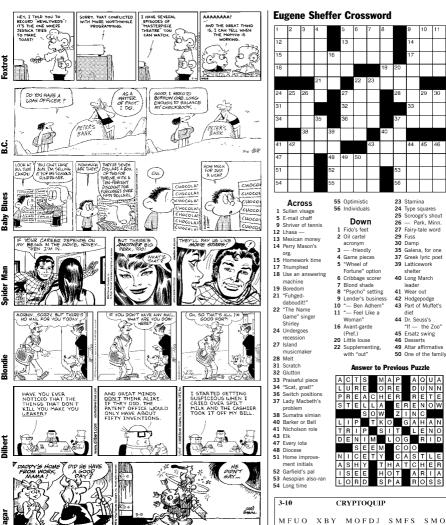












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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: S equals T

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion

Scheming sister should be watched

Dear Abby: My mother died last year. My 93-year-old father now lives with my sister "Lila" in her apartment back east. I have four brothers and another sister

who reside in the same state. I live in Arizona. Although I'd love for Dad to live here with me. he doesn't want to put such a great distance between himself and the rest of the family

Dad gets \$3,000 a month from Social Security Since Lila doesn't work, she decided that she should be the one to take care of our father. All of us agreed that she should take Dad's Social Security check and use it for his care. Dad also has about \$400,000 put away that is to be split among his chil-

dren when he passes away. Recently, Lila took \$21,000 of our father's money, claiming it was a "gift" so she can purchase a co-on. (Dad would buy it: her name would be on the deed) Someone, I'm not sure who, called Dad's lawyer and reported with Lila and my brother "Hersch," who has our father's power of attorney. The lawyer told Lila she can either pay back the \$21,000 or it'll be deducted from her inheritance. The lawyer then put Dad's money into a trust

fund so it cannot be touched.
Now that she can't

have the money as a gift, Lila is very angry and refuses to let anyone speak to Daddy on the phone.

Besides retaliating against us, it is also punishing Dad. Because I live across the country, the phone is my only means of com-munication with him. I'm at my wit's end

Is there anything I can do - Help! in Arizona Dear Help!: There sure is. Pick

up the phone and discuss this with your siblings and your faner's lawyer. If your brothers and sisters do

not live close enough to check regularly on Dad's welfare, it

worker or care manager, or move him to an assisted-living facility. Please don't wait.

Dear Abby: I am in seventh grade and I have a problem.

Everyone refers to me as 'Roy's" little sister. Roy is good at sports and is popular. I am not -

so no one remembers my name.

I want to be called by my name, but my brother's friends always seem to forget it. I hang out with Roy a lot, and I don't want to be called that anymore but I don't know how to say it.

Any suggestions? - Invisible in Greenfield, Ind. Dear Invisible: Ask your broth-er to help by reminding his friends that you have a nam when they refer to you as his little sister. If it happens in front of you,

speak up and say, "My name is (" It may take some time, but eventually they'll catch on. Letters for this column — with your name and phone number — should be addressed to Dear Abby, P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles CA 90069. Readers can write to Abby on the Internet at

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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(Answers tomorrow) RAVEN COVEY GULLET Answer What it took to sandbag the town against the rising river - A LEVEE LEVY

Steer clear of deceitful mom-in-law

Dear Annie: MV sister-in-law, "Diane recently started a small

business, and my moth-er-in-law, "Annette," has been helping her. They agreed to split the profits. Business was slow

at first, and there were no profits after the bills were paid. Annette complained to everyone who would listen that she wasn't making any money.

One day, Annette confessed to me that if a customer pays in cash, she just pockets it. I was appalled, but my husband said to keep quiet. Six weeks later. Diane called me, frantic, because money and inventory were missing. She asked for my help, and I told her what I knew about Annette. Diane was horrified and

Three weeks ago, when the books were off again, Diane confronted her mother, who then said all kinds of vicious things about me. In retaliation. I spilled the beans to Diane about the nasty things Annette had said about her and there were plenty

Diane trusts me and Annie's Mailbox knows I am telling the truth. Annette is taking her anger out on the grandchildren, and badmouthing my hus

band and me to whoever will listen. My mother-in-law has a long history of lying and rotten behavior, but everyone writes it off as a personality disorder. I

cannot fathom stealing from my own child and am outraged by her subsequent

hostility. Should I confront her? - And You Think

Your Mother-in-Law Is Bad? Dear AVTYMILIR: What are you hoping to accomplish? Annette sounds as if she isn't playing with a full deck, and unless she is willing to seek professional help to readjust her behavior, nothing will change.

You do not have to maintain contact if she is mean to your children, but please don't add fuel to the fire. Let your husband deal with his mother as he wishes, but you should steer clear

Dear Annie: I am in my early 50s, and my boyfriend, "Wallace, is 10 years younger. We've been together for two years. Wallace seems to suffer from low self-esteem. Every time I compliment him, he has trouble accepting my words. Last night, I told him he had beautiful eyes, and he replied,

"No. I don't." This happens every time I comment positively about him. I love him very much, and it frustrates me that he questions my sincerity

— New Jersey Dear N.J.: Wallace isn't quesoning your sincerity. He simply doesn't know how to receive a compliment. So teach him. Next time you compliment him and he responds negatively, look him in the eye and say, "Wallace, I want you to say only the words 'thank you.' Try it." It might take some practice and many reminders, but this can work

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Family Circus



"The day I took Kittycat to school when she was a kitten. I had the most friends ever!"

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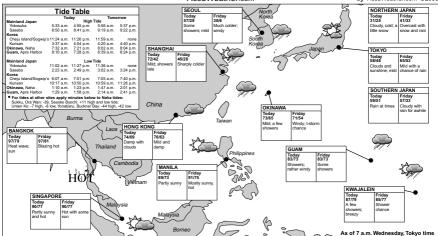
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Extended Forecasts

Sunday: Partly sunny

high 42, low 29.

Saturday: Periods of clouds and high 54, low 32

KADENA

Saturday: Showers, high 60, low 50. Sunday: Partly sunny, high 56, low 48,

SEOUL

Saturday: Partly sunny, high 25, low 10. Sunday: Partly sunny, high 29, low 16.

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Saturday: Mostly sunny, high 91, low 75 Sunday: Periods of clouds and eunehine high 89, low 73.

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Saturday: Showers, high 85, low 73. Sunday: Showers, high 87, low 76

Tuesday's USA Temperatures

| CITY | HIGH/LOW | CITY | HIGH/LOW |
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| Albuquerque | 64/35 | Los Angeles | 74/56 |
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| Anchorage | 42/33 | Louisville | 40/25 |
| Asheville | 41/23 | Miami | 80/54 |
| Baltimore | 49/19 | Milwaukee | 25/14 |
| Birmingham | 51/32 | Nashville | 43/28 |
| Bismarck | 31/16 | New York | 47/18 |
| Boise | 64/41 | Omaha | 43/20 |
| Boston | 46/17 | Orlando | 75/44 |
| Brownsville | 75/55 | Philadelphia | 50/18 |
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U.S. Extended Forecast

The extreme cold will become somewhat diluted on Thursday across the East as winds shift to the southwest. A series of weak storms will pass through the mid-Atlantic and Northeast through the period, leading to a few inches of snow across the mountains and in the Lee of the Great Lakes, but little more than a few flurries elsewhere. Conditions will be chilly across the Southeast, and conditions will become unsettled on Saturday as a cold front swings through, potentially leading to some strong thunderstorms across eastern Georgia. In the West, little change is expected through the period as high pressure remains in control

Thursday's Pacific Temperatures

Thursday's World Temperatures

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Giambi helps Yanks bop Sox

Rivera, Atlanta's Hudson flawless in spring debuts

Jason Giambi quieted the caustic Red Sox crowd with his first homer of spring training. Tim Hudson and Mariano Rivera

Spring silenced their <u>tr</u>aining opponents with roundup their dominant pitches.

With fans chanting "Steroids! Steroids! Steroids!", Giambi hit a solo shot in the fifth inning of the York Yankees' 9-2 victory over Boston at Fort Myers, Fla

The public face of baseball's steroids controversy was booed before each of his five at-bats he finished 2-for-5 and is 3-for-12 this spring.

Giambi took it all in stride. He gave a mass interview, got a hug from Kevin Millar, took batting practice and signed autographs for 25 minutes.

Giambi, one of only a handful of Yankees regulars who made the 2-hour bus ride for the split-squad game, was prepared to face Red Sox Nation. Giambi said he tuned out the taunts.

'Tonight was a good night for Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "I'm sure he feels good about it. I know we were pleased because he didn't let the emotion of where we were and who we were playing against interfere with what he was working on." At Tampa Bay, Fla., Rivera spar-

kled in his first spring appearance for the Yankees, working one per-fect inning in a 3-1 split-squad loss

to the Cleveland Indians. "He didn't even break a sweat." Torre said before head-

ing to Fort Myers. Rivera threw 10 pitches, seven for strikes, and retired the side on grounder to short and two fly halls to right

The right-hander changed his offseason program in hopes of rejuvenating himself after the Yankees' collapse against Boston in the American League Championship Series. He feels like he accomplished that objective

"Mentally and physically I was tired," Rivera said, explaining the decision to change his routine. "I worked out, but I didn't throw. It's not normal for me. I just felt like I needed it, so I did.

Making his debut with the Braves, Hudson worked two scoreless innings in a 5-0 victory over the New York Mets at Port St Lucie, Fla. He threw 21 of 29 pitches for strikes and got four groundouts, showing off the sharp stuff that made him a huge winner with Oakland the past six years.

"It was good to finally get it out of the way," Hudson said. "I was just mainly trying to locate my fastball, stay down in the zone.' The Braves sent three players to the Athletics in a trade for Hudson last December, and he agreed to a \$47 million, four-year con-

tract extension last Tuesday Atlanta's new closer Dan Kolh followed with a perfect inning.

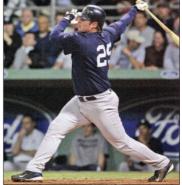
Kolb was acquired in an offseason trade with Milwaukee, allowing the Braves to shift John Smoltz back into the rotation.

"The first day is a little rough, the adrenaline," Kolb said. "Espe-cially when you get traded and you're replacing pretty much a legend in Atlanta. I probably put a little too much pressure on myself. In other games:

Blue Jays 12, Indians (ss) 9: At Winter Haven, Fla., C.C. Sabathia likely won't start the Indians' season opener after an MRI showed the left-hander strained a muscle in his right side. Sabathia has been told not to throw for a week. Kevin Millwood, making his first start for Cleveland, gave up five runs and seven hits in one in-

Athletics 5, Diamondbacks (ss) 0: At Phoenix, Rich Harden pitched three scoreless innings and struck out three for Oakland Eric Byrnes hit a bases-loaded double off Russ Ortiz in the first

Cubs 9, Rangers 4: At Surprise, Ariz., Greg Maddux gave



Amid derisive chants. Jason Giambi (above) had a solo homer and two hits in the Yankees' 9-2 split-squad victory over the Red Sox on Monday.

up three hits and allowed two unearned runs in two innings in his spring debut. Alfonso Soriano, who missed

the final two weeks of 2004 with a torn left hamstring, was limping in the locker room after playing six innings and going 0-for-3 with two strikeouts

Cardinals 6, Dodgers 1: At Ju-piter, Fla., Albert Pujols hit two

home runs and a hard double for the Cardinals In eight at hate this spring, Pujols has three homers and two doubles.

Dodgers (ss) 4, Marlins (ss) 2: At Jupiter, Fla., Carlos Delgado was scratched from his debut with Florida because of tendinitis in the left elbow. Marlins right-hander Josh Beckett struck out seven over four scoreless innings.



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ane vs. DePaul at FedEx Forum, Memphis, fern, (cioned in progress).

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AFN-Atlantic, 9 a.m.-College basketball: fortheast Conference Tournament champi-niship, Wagner at Fairleigh Dickinson.

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AFN-Sports, 2 a.m.-College basketball: Big en Conference Tournament, first round lichigan vs. Northwestern at United Center

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AFK-Sports, 4:30 a.m.-College basketball:
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urdue vs. Jowa at United Center, Chicago.
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College basketball

Men's Top 25 fared

Monday

1. Illinois (29-1) did not play. Next: vs. Northwestern or Michigan, Friday.
2. North Carolina (26-3) did not play. Next: vs. Maryland or Clemson, Friday.
3. Wake Forest (26-4) did not play. Next: vs. North Carolina State or Florida State, Fri-

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Connecticut 67, Notre Dame 5: Rutgers 64, Villanova 59 Big Ten Conferent Championship Michigan St. 55, Minnesota 49 Horizon League Championship

23. Wisconsin (20-7) did not play. Next: vs. 25. Wisconsin (20-1) did not play, Next: vs. Ohio State or Penn State, Friday. 24. Nevada (24-5) did not play. Next: vs. Boise State or Tulsa, Thursday. 25. Charlotte (21-6) did not play. Next: vs. Memphis or Saint Louis, Thursday.

Monday's men's scores

TOURNAMENTS
Colonial Athletic Association
Championship
Old Dominion 73, Va. Commonwealth 66,

Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference Championship Niagara 81, Rider 59 Mid-American Conference First Round Akron 78, E. Michigan 65 Bowling Green 75, Ball St. 73 Buffalo 23, Millionic 65

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oma City 71

West Coast Conference Championship 180, Saint Mary's, Calif, 67 Gonzaga 80, Saint Mary

Women's Top 25 fared

Monday
1. Stanford (29-2) beat Arizona State 56-42.
ext: TBA.
2. LSU (29-2) did not play. Next: TBA.
3. Tennessee (25-4) did not play. Next:

1.1 Temessee (25-4) did not play, Next: 4. Morth Carolina (72-1) beat No. 5 Duke 86-7) Next: 184.5 Duke (25-4) lost 10 No. 4. 86-80 Next: 184.5 Duke (25-4) lost 10 No. 4. 6 Baylor (24-3) did not play, Next: 184.5 Duke 10-24 Next: 9. Mortina (15-4) Next: 184.5 Duke 10-24 Next

Jay. 14. Texas Tech (21-6) did not play. Next: vs. Colorado or No. 18 Iowa State, Wednes-

day. 15. Temple (27-3) beat George Washington 70-62. Next: TBA. 16. DePaul (25-4) did not play. Next: vs.

i. 7. Kansas State (21-6) did not play. Next: Oklahoma State or Nebraska, Wednes-

day. 18. lowa State (22-5) did not play. Next: vs. Colorado, Tuesday. 19. Vanderbilt (22-6) did not play. Next:

. i. North Carolina State (21-6) did not v. Next: TBA. . Georgia (22-8) did not play. Next: TBA. J. Penn State (19-10) did not play. Next: TBA. 23. Boston College (19-9) did not play.

Next: TBA.

24. Wisconsin-Green Bay (27-3) beat
Wright State 58-48. Next: TBA.

25. TCU (23-9) did not play. Next: TBA.

Monday's women's scores

MIDWEST
Columbia, Mo. 105, McKendree 68
TOURNAMENTS
Atlantic 10 Conference
Championship
Temple 70, George Washington 62
Atlantic Coast Conference
Championship

nnecticut 67. Notre Dame 54

Wis.-Green Bay 58, Wright St. 48
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Semifinals
Louisiana-Lafayette 61, Arkansas St. 49
Middle Tennessee 65, W. Kentucky 61
TransSouth Tournament
Championship
Freed-Hardeman 88, Union, Tenn. 82

College baseball

Collegiate Baseball Top 25

TUCSON, Ariz. — The top 25 teams in the 2005 Collegilate Baseball poll with records through March 6, points and previous ranking voting by coaches, sports writers and sports information directors:

1. Texas 2. Tulane 3. Florida St. 4. South Carolina 5. Cal. St. Fullerton 6. Louislana St. 7. Rice 13-1 19-1 12-1 11-2 8. Georgia Tech. 9. Wichita St. 480 475 a Georgia Tech.

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20. Vanderbilt
21. Mississippi
22. Southern California
24. Michigan
25. Coastal Carolina 472 16 471 4 470 9 468 10 465 11 463 12 460 14 459 17 457 19 454 22 452 – 450 20 445 21 442 18 **Baseball America Top 25**

DURHAM, N.C. — The top 25 teams in the Baseball America poll with records through March 6 and previous ranking (voting by the staff of Baseball America):

Record Pvs L. Iulane 2. Texas 3. Cal State Fullerton 4. South Carolina 5. Louisiana State 5. Miami 8. Vanderbilt 9. Texas A&M 10. Rice 11. Stanford 12. Arizona 13. Georgia 14. North Carolina 15. Georgia Tech 16. Mississippi 17. Florida State 18. Arkansas 11-7 12-5 7-3 9-3 11-2 9-3 19-1 12-1 8-6 10-2 14-1 16. Arkansas 19. Baylor 20. Coll. of Charleston 21. Louislana-Lafayette 22. Texas Tech 23. Oregon State 24. Texas Christian 25. Southern California

Monday's scores

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ilford 18, Lynchburg 1 ligh 6, Sacred Heart 4

Lehigh 6, Sacred Heart 4 Morehead St. 14, Brescia 0 Palm Beach Atlantic 10-14, Tenn. Temple 0-4 Pittsburgh 9, LaSalle 5 St. Leo 9, Concordia, N.Y. 0 Trevecca Nazarene 18, Brevard 4 Vanderbilt 8, Oakland 3, 8 Innings, rain

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VMI 20, Fairfield 2 Walsh 2, Webber 1 Washington & Lee 14, Villa Julie 0 WPI 9, N.J. City 7

WPI 9, NJ. City 7

MIDWEST
Bethel, Minn. 11-14, Minot St. 1
SE Missouri 7, S. Dakota St. 2
SOUTHWEST
Cent. Oklahoma 5-5, Angelo St
Creighton 3, Texas A&M-Corpi s Christi 2. 11

Cregnitor 3, 10.03 / 10.00 / 1 Texas-Dallas 8, Friends 3 Texas Wesleyan 12-4, Mary Hardin-Baylor

FAR WEST Florida St 11 Ha Florida St. 11, Hawaii-Hilo 5 St. Mary's, Cal. 7, San Diego 6 San Jose St. 6, Santa Clara 6 TOURNAMENTS Pepsi-Johnny Quik Ck Dallas Baptist 5, Gonzaga 4 Penn St. 6, Monmouth, N.J. 3

Penn St. 6, Monmoutn, San Francisco 7, Penn Fresno St. 5, S. Utah 3 Round Ro ck Classic Texas State 10. Notre Da

College hockey

Division I noll

MINNEAPOLIS — Top teams in the NCAA Di-vision I men's ice hockey poli, compiled by U.S. College Hockey Online, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through March 6, points, and previous ranking:

1. Colorado College (16) 2. Denver (4) 3. Cornell (16) 4. Michigan (4) 5. Boston College 6. Minpecoto Record 26-7-3 24-9-2 22-4-3 562 529 512 22-4-3 26-7-3 21-6-7 24-12-1 24-8-4 21-11-4 22-9-5 18-8-3 18-11-7 6. Minnesota 7. Ohio State 8. Wisconsin 9. Boston Unive 10. New Hamps 11. Harvard 12. Maine 12. Maine 18-11-7
12. Northern Michigan 18-13-7
14. North Dakota 18-13-5
15. Mass.-Lowell 20-10-4
Others Receiving Votes: Darmouth gate 28, Vermont 9, Minnesota-Dulut nesota State 1, Nebraska-Omaha 1

Deals

Monday's transactions

BASEBALL National League WASHINGTON NATIONALS—AS WASHINGTON NATIONALS—Assigned RHP Seth Greisinger, RHP Chad Durbin, RHP Luis Pineda, RHP Josh Karp, LHP Micah Bowle, LHP Bill Bray, C Drew McMillian, INF Rick Short, INF Jared Sandberg, OF Brandon Wat-son and INF-OF Phil Hiatt to their minor aque camp.

BASKETBALL BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

MIAMI HEAT—Placed C Wang Zhi-Zhi on
the injured list. Activated G Steve Smith
from the injured list.

MILWAUKEE BUCKS—Signed G Anthony
soldwire. Placed C Daniel Santiago on the in-

Jured list.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
ARIZONA CARDINALS—Signed DE Chike
Okeafor to a five-year contract. Re-Signed
BT Toy Hambrick to a two-year contract.
ATLANTA FALCONS—Signed S Rich Coady
and PK Todd Peterson. Re-Signed KR-PR

illen Rossum.

BALTIMORE RAVENS—Agreed to terms with CB Samari Rolle on a six-year contract.

CHICAGO BEARS—Signed OT Fred Miller to

CINICAGO BEARS—Signed Of Pred Miller of Inve-year contract.
CINICINNATI BENGALS—Signed RB Rudi obnison to a one-year contract.
DETROIT LIONS—Signed S Kenoy Kennedy and TE Marcus Pollari.
MIAMI DOLPHINS—Signed DE Kevin Carter o a live-year contract. Released WR David o a live-year contract.

oston. NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Re-signed FB atrick Pass. Named Pete Mangurian tight nds coach. NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Signed S Dwight NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Signed S Dwight mith to a five-year contract. FITTSBURGH STELERS—Re-signed CB Will-Williams to a two-year contract. J. Smith, eneral manager, to a three-year contract xtension through the 2009 season. WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Agreed to terms vith RB Mike Sellers.

with RB Mike Sellers.

Canadian Football League

MONTREAL ALOUETTES—Signed DT Phil
Gibson, DB Serge Sejour, RB Robert Edwards
and LB-DE Jimmy McClain.

TORONTO ARGONAUTS—Named Miles Gorrell Scout.

rell scout.

WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS—Named John
Kropke defensive line coach.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer
SAN JOSE EARTHQUAKES—Re-signed F

wayne De Rosario.

COLLEGE

RUTGERS—Named Cary Godette defensive
ne_coach_and_Robert_Jackson_running acks coach.

SAN JOSE STATE—Announced the resignaion of Phil Johnson, men's basketball
coach, effective at the end of the season.

SANTA CLARA—Extended the contract of
lick Davey, men's basketball coach,

rough the 2005-06 season.

SOUTHERN ARKANSAS—Announced the signation of Brian Daugherty, men's basesignation of Brian Daugherty, men's bas-etball coach. UC RIVERSIDE—Fired John Masi, men's bas-

wake Forest-Pired John Mast, mer's bas-ketball coach.

WAKE FOREST-Suspended sophomore men's basketball G Chris Paul one game for hitting North Carolina State's Julius Hodge in the groin during a March 6 game. WILLIAM PENN-Named Alan Stewart

HOME TEAM

Athletes turned drought to reign

Zama's Burnett. Seoul American's Daniels led teams to Far East titles

BY DAVE ORNAUER Stars and Stripes

No Zama American Trojan had earned Outstanding Wrestler honors in a Far East tournament in 15 years until David Burnett came

No Seoul American girls basketball team had won a Far East Girls Class AA title since 1984 until Janel Daniels came long.

The two seniors that helped put an end to those long droughts have been selected Stars and Stripes' winter Athletes of the Quarter.

"I've not seen any of the athletes here as driven to win as David is," said Ian Harlow, who began coaching Burnett three seasons ago. "It's his personality and mentality. He wants to get to the next level. And he knows he can't do that unless he first wins at this

In Burnett's sophomore season, he placed fifth in Far East as a heavyweight and earned the "most pins in the least amount of time" award. Since then, he's gone 60-3, taking gold medals at heavyweight last year as a junior and at 215 pounds last month

He became Zama's first Far East Tournament Outstanding Wrestler award winner since Mike Greeson in 1990, and the first two-time Far East gold medalist since the pro-

gram's heyday of the 1980s.

Harlow said, "He just comes in and gets down to business. I haven't seen a kid here at Zama who plans ahead like he does.

Daniels, meanwhile, averaged 19.3 points and 10 rebounds as the Falcons won their first Class AA crown since 1984. She averaged 22.5 points in eight Far East games, including 27 in the AA title game Feb. 26, when Seoul American downed Nile C. Kinnick of Japan.

Seoul American went 14-0 and won the Korean-American Interscholastic Activities Conference regular-season and tournament titles.

Leading the way to the win column was Daniels, whose "love for the game can be told by the way that she plays," Hicks said. "She takes the ball to the hoop and she hates to

When Daniels was having a down game, she would find ways to get her teammates in-volved on offense and defense "so that other players on the team would be successful. Hicks said. "A lot of times, when things were in a lull, she was the one person who picked it up and started the energy going again

Other winter season awards:

Terry Chumley burst from former Kubasa ki wrestling coach Jeff Pellaton's shadow. A young team with no returning gold medalists went to Far East and took four golds and the dual-meet and individual team titles.

Program

Behind MVP Z'aire Jackson, Kadena's boys basketball won the Far East Boys Class AA title on its home court. Girls basketball finished fourth, while the wrestling team took third at the "Beast," fifth in the dual meet and second in the individual freestyle in Far East



David Burnett, top, of Zama American is close to pinning Seoul American's Scott Tunis in the 215-pound championship bout of the Far East High School Wrestling Tournament.



DAVE ORNAUER/Stars and Stripes

Senior Janel Daniels led Seoul American to the Far East Class AA title and has been selected Stars and Stripes female Athlete of the Quarter.

Tiny Pusan American's boys basketball team went 10-12 a season ago. But this year, behind point guard Moses Joh and junior James Edwards, the Panthers improved to 29-6 — best overall record among Korean hovs teams

Most improved program

Yokota. After a 15-14 record last year, the Panthers' boys went 24-4 and lost 66-62 to Kadena in the Class AA finals. The girls, after a 13-13 campaign in 2003-04, improved to 29-4 and third place in Class AA. Panthers wrestling improved from eighth to fourth in the individual freestyle team standings on the team's home mats in Far East.

Wrestling dual meet of the quarter

Since the Far East dual-meet tournament began in 1995, never had the championship meet come down to a tiebreaker. Kubasaki and Kinnick tied 26-26 but the Dragons claimed the crown by scoring three pins to the Red Devils' two

Wrestling match of the quarter

In a memorable Feb. 19 dual meet at Yokota's Capps Gym, the 158-pound bout made all the difference. Kinnick's Andrew Brown won a 5-3 decision over Kris Martinez, but by bridging off his shoulders for more than a minute and avoiding a pinfall defeat, Martinez scored one team point for Kubasaki. Had he lost by pin, Kinnick would have won the dual meet and the Far East title 27-25.

Basketball game of the quarter

Gary Wright's rebound putback with 1.6 seconds left boosted Kadena over Okinawa arch-rival Kubasaki in the Class AA semifinals Feb. 25 at the Panther Pit.

Basketball shot of the quarter

Kinnick junior Lualhati Johnson heaved a prayer from halfcourt that was answered. Her three-noint basket as time ran out gave the Red Devils a 57-55 victory over Yokota in the Far East Girls Class AA quarterfinals at Collier Field House on Yongsan Garrison's South

Rest strategy

Kinnick wrestling coach Robby Rhinehart's gamble in the Far East dual-meet final with Kubasaki, He moved Yamato Cibulka and Joey Wood, his regular 158 and 168 pounders, up a weight each to 168 and 180, trying for as many team points as he could, with his regular 180-pounder Chris Sanders not feeling well. The only thing that kept it from working was Martinez's heroics for Kubasaki at 158 pounds.

This week's schedule

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Athlete of the Quarter

x-David Burnett, senior, wrestling Zama American, Japan; x-Janel Danielš, senior, girls basketball, Seoul American; x-Kirk Long, senior, boys basketball Faith Academy, Philippines; x-Celine Cruz, senior, girls basketball, St. Pau Christian, Guam; x-Z'aire Jackson, jun-Cruz, senior, diris bassestana, 3- rea Cruziani, Guarra, v. 2 der Jascson, jun-Cristani, Guarra, v. 2 der Jascson, jun-Cristani, Guarra, v. 2 der Jascson, jun-Ryland, Geiger, freshman, westling, Ryland, Geiger, freshman, westling, Robert I. Edgres, Japane Vietor Les, jun-der Vietor, der Germann, der Schallen, der Robert I. Edgres, Japane Vietor Les, jun-der Logis, seiner, gris bassesthall, kitter-Japan, Devon Copeland, sonior, westling, der Germann, der G che art um saeptent, senito, boyo Bas-ompon, lunivo pop Baskethal, Kubasa-ompon, lunivo pop Baskethal, Kubasa-ompon, lunivo fine populari kubasa-ten populari kubasa-ten populari kubasa-lari kubasa-ngan pama fine populari kubasa-pinan yanto fobilari, junjar, wes-mari, junior, boyo baskethal, wite r kim pama yanto fobilari, junjar, wes-mari, junior, boyo baskethal, wite r kim pama yanto populari yanto populari yanto populari yanto populari yanto pama yanto populari yanto populari yanto populari yanto populari yanto kanter, senior, boyo baskethali, kuri-fanter, senior, boyo baskethali, kuri-fanter, senior, boyo baskethali, kuri-fanter, senior, boyo baskethali, kuri-mon, giris baskethali, kurifaunte, region, Roya Esselectual, Casan energy report of the Control of the Contr offern should plage the state of the state o

Heat keep rolling toward securing top spot in East

MIAMI - The Miami Heat are leaving their Eastern Conference rivals behind

Wade Dwyane scored points, Shaquille O'Neal added 25 and the Heat beat the Philadelphia 76ers 108-100 on Monday night to move a step closer to securing the home-court advantage throughout the conference play-

Miami has won six straight the last four in a five-day stretch,



and by an aver age margin of 16.3 points — and 10 in a row at home. "It doesn't feel easy, I'll

tell you that," Wade said. "Right now, we're all playing together. Everyone's touching the ball Everyone's happy playing with each other and if it looks easy, it's because of that.

With 20 regular-season games left the Heat have an eight-game lead over Detroit in the conference and are 11 games in front of Washington in the Southeast Divi-

pretty impressive stretch," Miami coach Stan Van Gundy said. "I was pretty happy with the way we played. We're playing more consistently, and

more maturely, and playing the game at a high level. The first half was Miami's highest level of the season. The Heat set season bests with 63 points on 68.6 percent shooting in the half. and kept rolling in the second O'Neal had 15 points and Wade

11 in the third period to help

Miami push its lead to 22 points. "We cannot win if we play defense like that," said Allen Iverson, who had 27 points for Philadelphia. "No way, no way we win this game with defense like that. Tonight they were hitting everything, even when we were challenging. We just couldn't stop

Wade made 18 free throws to set a franchise record; he got to the line 23 times. Shandon Anderson added 13 points, and Udonis Haslem had a 12-point, 10-rebound night for Miami (46-16). 30 games over .500 for the first time since April 1998.

Samuel Dalembert added 21 points for the 76ers, who got only 10 points in 26 minutes from

Chris Webber. "We clearly didn't have what it takes to win tonight against a qual-ity team," said Philadelphia ity team," coach Jim O'Brien, whose club fell a half-game behind Indiana in the chase for the East's eighth and final playoff spot.

Philadelphia outscored Miami 29-17 in the fourth quarter, holding the Heat to 30.8 percent shoot-ing, outrebounding them 10-8 and forcing four turnovers. But by then, the Heat's struggles were irrelevant - and the team gets a well-deserved break from practice on Tuesday.

"I'm sleeping until noon, then getting up, having lunch and tak-ing a nap." Van Gundy said.

O'Neal made Miami's first four shots of the second half, all from close range, to push Miami's margin to 18 at 73-55. The lead got up to 79-59 with 6:51 left, before Dalembert keyed a 7-0 run.

He scored to start the burst. then blocked O'Neal's shot -Shaq's first miss in nine tries setting up a three-pointer from Kyle Korver. And when Korver scored on the next trip, Philadelphia was within 79-66

But Miami put the game away with an 11-3 run over a 2½-minute stretch. O'Neal scored the first five points, Wade followed with consecutive baskets, and O'Neal finished the burst by catching a three-quarter-court pass from Damon Jones and throwing down a monster dunk.

We just have to worry about what we're supposed to worry about and keep beating the teams

we're supposed to beat," O'Neal

"Keep winning at home, and keep staying above .500 on the road. If we do those things, then by that formula itself things will work out

Mavericks 113, Raptors 105: Marquis Daniels had a sea-son-high 32 points and Jason Terry added 23 to help Dallas win

at home without Dirk Nowitzki. Nowitzki missed his second straight game because of a bruised left knee, and Dallas also played without the injured Micha-

el Finley, Erick Dampier and Jerry Stackhouse. Josh Howard added 22 points and eight rebounds, and Keith Van Horn, subbing for Nowitzki, had 19 points Morris Peterson led Toronto with 23 points.

Nuggets 111, Trail Blazers 98: Carmelo Anthony had 23 points before sitting out the fourth quarter and Denver won its seventh straight game, the Nuggets' longest streak in 16

Denver is 14-4 under coach George Karl, has won eight straight home games and has made up 61/2 games on the Los An geles Lakers in a little more than a month to tie for eighth in the West. Damon Stoudamire led Portland with 24 points.

Bulls 90. Bucks 85: Kirk Hinrich scored 12 of his 17 points in the fourth quarter, and Chicago held off visiting Milwaukee for its 30th victory, tying the Bulls' most in a season since they won their sixth championship in 1997-98. Michael Redd led Milwaukee

with 26

Grizzlies 105, Clippers 102: At Los Angeles, Lorenzen Wright scored 23 points. Brian Cardinal had 20 and Memphis nearly blew a 13-point lead in the final 2:17 before beating Los Angeles for its fourth straight victory. Corey Maggette had 37 points for the Clippers

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Cards, Lions go shopping

Arizona adds two linemen, QB Warner: Detroit picks up S Kennedy, TE Pollard

Arizona Cardinals coach Dennis Green dipped into the free-agent market for the third time in five days, signing defensive end Chike Okeafor to go with guarterback Kurt Warner and of-

NFL

roundup

fensive tackle Oliver Ross.

"I've been a ig believer big since the day I got here that Arizona has all the ingredients to at-

tract the top NFL free agents, and our three signees are a great indi-cation of that," said Green, in his second year with Arizona

Okeafor provides a strong upgrade for Arizona. He had a career-high 8½ sacks for Seattle last season after recording eight the previous season. He had two sacks and four tackles in the Seahawks' 27-20 loss to St. Louis in an NFC wild-card game.

Okeafor, who also visited Denver, said during his visit to Arizo-

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doormat image. "From playing against them and watching on film, there is

some heart there," he said. The Cardinals also re-signed running back Troy Hambrick to a

two-year contract Linebacker Kendrell Bell, the defensive rookie of the year four seasons ago, signed a seven-year contract with the Kansas City Chiefs on Tuesday.

Bell, 6 feet 1, 257 pounds, was one of the last high-profile free agents on the market even though he played just three games last season with Pittsburgh. His best season came as a rookie in 2001, when made the Pro Bowl after recording 88 tackles, nine sacks and a pair of forced fumbles in his first season.

Bell was troubled with shoulder and groin injuries last week and the New York Giants passed on him as a free agent after a physical, although they did not

specify the exact problem.

Detroit signed two players on Monday, landing hard-hitting safety Kenoy Kennedy and tight end Marcus Pollard.

Kennedy, who spent his entire five-year career with Denver, was about to board a flight to Miami to continue his free-agent tour, but had second thoughts and returned to the Lions' practice facility to sign a contract while the team was introducing Pollard.

"They were calling my name and saying that I had to get on the plane or I was going to get left behind," Kennedy said. "I told them to go ahead and leave me. I decided I wanted to be a Lion '

Kennedy was suspended for one game in 2002 for a hel-met-to-helmet hit on Miami's Chris Chambers, and has been fined for similar plays at least three other times.

"I think I bring a presence," he me, and they might develop alliga-

"Receivers are looking for

Detroit Lions coach Steve Mariucci, left, and team president Matt Millen, right, flank new signee Kenoy Kennedy, a hard-hitting safety who has spent his five-year NFI career with the Denver Broncos.

tor arms

Kennedy has four career inter-

Pollard caught six of Peyton Manning's record 49 TD passes last season with Indianapolis.

"Until a couple weeks ago, we didn't even expect that Marcus would be available, so we feel very good about adding him to the roster," team president Matt Millen said. "He brings experience, an understanding of how to win, and some great hands."

Pollard spent 10 seasons with Indianapolis. Last season, he caught 29 passes for 309 yards and six touchdowns. He missed three games with leg injuries.

The Dolphins signed two-time Pro Bowl player Kevin Carter to a five-year deal. A 10-year NFL veteran. Carter spent the past four seasons with Tennessee, but was released by the Titans in a sal-

ary-cap move

The 6-foot-5, 290-pound Carter never has missed a game, totaling 598 tackles, 86 sacks, nine fumble recoveries and 16 forced fumbles He earned Pro Bowl trips in 1999 and 2002, and a Super Bowl ring with the St. Louis Rams in 2000.

The Dolphins also cut wide receiver David Boston, who failed a physical. Boston signed last year, but missed the season with a knee injury. In December, he was susended by the NFL for four games for testing positive for steroids. Boston has denied using steroids. Cornerback Samari Rolle agreed to a six-year contract with

the Baltimore Rayens Rolle was a 2000 Pro Bowl selection with the Tennessee Titans. Like new Ravens receiver Derrick Mason and Carter. Rolle was

seven passes as the Titans went 13-3. He was limited to a ca-

a salary-cap casualty in Tennes-In 2000, Rolle intercepted reer-low 12 games last season hecause of an injured left knee that required arthroscopic surgery

The Bears signed another Tenessee cap cut, right tackle Fred Miller. The 32-year-old veteran, who hasn't missed a start since

1998, agreed to a five-year deal. The 6-foot-7, 320-pound Miller was cut by the Titans last month so he wouldn't count \$9.32 million against this year's salary cap. Fi-nancial terms of his deal with the Bears weren't disclosed

The Patriots re-signed fullback Patrick Pass, an unrestricted free

The Browns continued to re build their offensive line Tuesday. agreeing to terms on a two-year contract with former Tampa Bay

guard Cosey Coleman.
Coleman, a 26-year-old four-year starter with the Buccaneers, is the second free agent guard signed by the Browns. Last week, the Browns signed former New England guard Joe Andruzzi

to a four-year \$9 million deal. Cornerback Willie Williams re-signed with the Pittsburgh Steelers for two years. The unrestricted free agent started the final 10 regular-season games and both playoff contests after Chad Scott injured his knee Oct. 17

The Buccaneers re-signed wide receiver Joey Galloway, who made just seven starts in 2004.

The Redskins agreed to terms with Mike Sellers, a special teams standout who made 29 tackles in kickoff and punt coverage last season. He also is the backup to starting H-back Chris Cooley.

The Falcons signed safety Rich Coady, another low-key acquisition for the team that reached the NFC title game last season.

Kicker Jay Feely, replaced by Todd Peterson after four years with the Falcons, signed with the

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NHL talks planned this week

NEW YORK - Now the NHL and the players' association will start trying to save next season.



Less than three weeks after commissioner Gary Rettman can celed the

2004-05 NHL season, he invited union executive director Bob Goodenow back to the bargaining table for talks this week.

Countless meetings and proposals weren't enough to end the lockout that began in September, so Bettman wants to get talks going as soon as possible before next season is put in jeopardy, too.

He contacted Goodenow late last week to request a meeting. the players' association agreed to get together, NHL chief legal officer Bill Daly said in an e-mail to The Associated Press on

The date, time and location of the next round of talks wasn't an nounced

It will be the first bargaining session since Feb. 19, when the sides met in a desperate attempt to save the season three days after Bettman canceled it. But even the presence of Wayne Gretzky and Mario Lemieux wasn't enough to get owners and players to reach an agreement.

Chargers give GM Smith three-year contract

SAN DIEGO - General manager A.J. Smith was given a three-year contract extension through 2009 on Monday, his reward for helping transform the San Diego Chargers from the NFL's doormat to a playoff team in one season.

Smith originally signed a four-year deal in April 2003, when he was promoted to GM 11 days after his longtime friend and colleague, John Butler, died.

"I do believe we've got it going in the right direction," Smith said. "We're very pleased with last year. We chased the champion-ship but fell short. Hopefully we'll keep banging away at this thing and continue to be in the postsea son. Maybe there will be a special vear built in there where we win a world championship."

San Diego was an NFL-worst 4-12 in 2003, but won the AFC West with a 12-4 record last season to reach the playoffs for the first time in nine seasons

Proposed Gatti-Mayweather hout canceled

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. proposed fight between WBC super lightweight champion Arturo Gatti and undefeated chal-lenger Floyd Mayweather Jr. has been scratched.

Donald Tremblay, a spokesman for Gatti's promoter, Main Events Inc., said Mayweather (33-0, 22 knockouts) missed a Friday deadline to sign a contract agreeing to fight Gatti on June 11.

Main Events will find a boxer to face Gatti (39-6, 29 knockouts) on that date, Tremblay said.

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Despite its rank, BC feels snubbed | Langford might miss

AD calls Big East 'petty' for giving trophy to UConn

BY JIMMY GOLEN The Associated Press

ROSTON 1 Skinner has what other coaches envy: A 24-3 record, two all-Big East players on the roster and an us-against-them snub to motivate his team in the conference tournament.

If only he were interested "If that's what's going to motivate you, then you shouldn't be playing," Skinner said of the

Big East's failure to schlep a trophy to the team's regular-season finale at Rutgers "You've got to bring your own motivation. Boston College is leaving the Big East for

the Atlantic Coast Conference next season, a decision that created no shortage of bad feel ings among fans, players and officials of the jilted league. But dealings remained essentially cordial

until BC athletic director Gene DeFilippo told reporters on Sunday the league was "petty" for giving regular-season co-champion Connecti-- but not BC - a trophy after its finale.

"Our players and coaches had absolutely nothing to do with Boston College's decision to go to the Atlantic Coast Conference," DeFilippo said. "If the Big East has problems with me, let them take it out on me.

Big East officials denied that they were out to get Boston College, noting that they were only in Storrs, Conn., to honor UConn's Jim Calhoun and Syracuse's Jim Boeheim, who each picked up his 700th victory. UConn officials asked them to bring the trophy in case the Huskies won

"We have never presented a trophy at an away venue," Big East spokesman John Paquette said Monday.

Meanwhile, DeFilippo has gotten over the slight - or at least decided to accept it. He declined requests for comment on Monday.

"There was some disappointment about the trophy situation, but today the mood at BC is all about happiness," spokesman Chris Cameron said. "We're Big East champions with a No. 1 seed in the tournament and we're ranked seventh in the country. So life is good at Boston College."

Nothing motivates coaches and athletes more than disrespect — even Bill Belichick felt the need to play the card while the Patriots were on their way to a third Super Bowl victory in four years.



Connecticut's Antonio Kellogg, left and Denham Brown, right, walk off the court with the Big East trophy after defeating Syracuse 88-70 on Saturday. Boston College, which is leaving for the ACC after this year, wasn't awarded a trophy after earning a share of the title later Saturday.

"Fuel to the fire," said Craig Smith, one of two BC players selected to the all-Big East team on Mon-

Boston College scheduled to leave on Tuesday for New York, where they'll get their trophy at a banquet. The tournament starts Wednesday, with BC getting a bye until Thursday as a No. 1 seed; the Eagles will play West Virginia or Providence.

"It bothers us and motivates us," Jared Dudley, the other all-Big East selec tion, said of the trophy flap. "We do think everybody's against us

We know they don't want us to win the

44 We're Big East champions with a No. 1 seed in the tournament, and we're ranked seventh

in the country. So life is good at Boston College.

> **Chris Cameron** BC spokesman

championship in our last year, but that's what we're going to do."

Skinner said he understands the rule about trophy presentations at away games, and he thinks the controversy could have been avoided if someone had told BC beforehand.

But he'll take a pass on using it to fire up his team "That's not the most im-

portant thing," he said. "I'd like to believe that just the fact that you're playing for the Big East championship is enough motivation."

And another trophy will be presented on Saturday night.

"They can't avoid that one," Skinner said.

Big 12 tourn.

The Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Kansas guard Keith Langford, the Jayhawks' second-leading scorer this season, was on crutches Monday and might miss this weekend's Big 12 tournament, coach Bill Self said Monday.

The injury to Langford's left ankle, which he hurt Sunday in the Jayhawks' loss to Missouri, is not as severe as first thought, Self said. But the loss dropped Kansas to No. 9 in the latest AP poll and might have cost the Jayhawks a No. 1 seed in the NCAA tournament.

"We picked a bad time yesterday when Keith went out basically to have guys not play well," Self said on the Big 12 coaches' weekly conference call with reporters. "We need for somebody to step up and be players like they are."

Langford, a senior who averag es more than 15 points, had already scored five when he injured his left ankle three minutes into the game. The Javhawks went on to lose 72-68 and dron into a first-place tie for the regular-season title with Oklahoma.

College scoreboard

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First Team.

J.J. Beelick, Duber Chris Paul, Wake Forest:
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Buke; Raymond Felton, North Carolina.
Second Team
Guillermo Diaz, Miami; Julius Hodge, N.C.
State; Eric Williams, Wake Forest; Jarett Jack, Georgia Tech; Justin Gray, Wake Forest.

Third Team Rashad McCants, North Carolina; Sharrod Ford, Clemson; Nik Caner-Medley, Maryland; Daniel Ewing, Duke; Jawad Williams, North Carolina

(Coaches poll)
First Team
Dee Brown, Illinois; Luther Head, Illinois;
Deron Williams, Illinois; Vincent Grier, Minnesota; Mike Wilkinson, Wisconsin.
Second Team
Maurice Ager, Michigan State; Greg Brunner, Iowa; Terrance Dials, Ohlo State; Carl
Landry, Purdue; Bracey Wright, Indiana.

All-Big 12

First team
Wayne Simlen, Kansas; Joey Graham, Oklahoma State; John Lucas, Oklahoma State; Ronald Ross, Texas Tech; Antoine Wright, Texas A&M.

Texas A&M.

Second team
Taj Gray, Oklahoma: Curtis Stinson, Iowa
State: Aaron Miles, Kansas; Jeremlah Massey, Kansas State: Keith Langford, Kansas.
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Aaron Bruce. Bajlor; Daniel Gibson, Texas;
Linas Kleiza, Missouri; Kevin Bookout, Oklahoma; Brad Buckman, Texas, Jr.

All-Big East First team

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Third team

Marcus Williams, Connecticut; Brandon
Bowman, Georgetown; Chris Thomas, Notre
Dame; Daryll Hill, St. John's; Randy Foye, Vill-

All-Conference USA

Travis Deiner, Marquette: Francisco Gar-cia, Louisville: Curtis Withers, Charlotte; Eddie Basden, Charlotte; Quemont Greer, De-Paul.

Paul. Second team Jason Maxiell, Cincinnati; Andre Owens Houston; Terrence Leather; South Florida Donell Taylor Alabama-Birmingham; Rodney Carney, Memphis. Third team

Third team

Eric Hicks, Cincinnati; Corey Santee, TCU;
Darius Washington Jr., Memphis; Drake Deiner, DePaul; Taquan Dean, Louisville.

Wake suspends Paul for ACC tournament game

BY AARON BEARD The Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. - Wake Forest star Chris Paul was suspended by the school for one game Monday for hitting North Carolina State's Julius Hodge in the groin during a game.

Paul, a sophomore point guard, will miss Friday's Atlantic Coast Conference tournament quarterfinal, the school said Monday. The Demon Deacons, seeded second, will play the winner of Thurs-day's Florida State-N.C. State

Paul will be allowed to practice Tuesday and could return to the lineup Saturday if Wake Forest advances to the tournament semi-

Athletic director Ron Wellman said the school consulted ACC Commissioner John Swofford before announcing the suspension.

Paul apologized to Hodge, N.C. State, his teammates and Wake Forest's fans.

"Sunday night was emotional for me for many reasons, and I let my emotions get the best of me, Paul said. "However, that is no excuse for my actions, and I fully accept and agree with my suspen-

Paul is averaging 14.9 points and 6.6 assists and has been one of the stars of the No. 3 Demon Deacons (26-4, 13-3 ACC)

Hodge was not expected to comment Monday on Paul's suspension, N.C. State spokeswoman Annabelle Vaughan said. Paul's low blow with 12:48 left

in the first half set the tone for the game in Raleigh, which ended when he hit a runner just before the buzzer for a 55-53 win.

On the replay, Paul was behind Hodge as the lanky senior was battling for position to rebound a missed three-pointer by Ilian Eytimov. After Cedric Simmons got the rebound, Paul reached around from Hodge's right side and hit him in the groin. Hodge, the reigning ACC player of the year, crumpled to the court.

With Hodge laying on the

ground, his older brother, Steve, walked onto the court to see if Ju-lius was OK — and to yell toward Wake Forest's bench and the referees. After he left the court, Steve Hodge was escorted from

Once Julius Hodge got up, he yelled and gestured toward Paul and the Demon Deacons' sideline on his way to the bench.

After the game, Paul said the two simply became entangled. "I don't believe I popped him," Paul said. "It was just the heat of the game. I've got too much respect for him to try to pop him on

When told that replays showed him hitting Hodge, Paul responded, "I haven't seen the replay."

senior night."



Creighton's Tyler McKinney hoists the Missouri Valley Champs sign after his team beat Southwest Missouri State in the tournament

Creighton is in; MVC awaits more berths

By R.B. FALLSTROM The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS - Creighton leaned heavily on its bench, and the usual barrage of three-pointers. to win its fifth Missouri Valley Conference tournament in seven

Reserves Dane Watts and Jimmy Motz combined for half of school's 12 three-pointers. and the Bluejays pulled away late for a 75-57 victory over Southwest Missouri State in the championship game Monday night.

"Motz and Watts really delivered for us." coach Dana Altman said. "It's an incredible feeling."

Motz was 4-for-7 from three-point range and scored 12 points for Creighton (23-10), which lost twice in the regular season to Southwest Missouri. Watts was 2-for-4 from three-point range and had 14 points

"I wasn't scared," Watts said. "I had to step up for my teammates

Together, they helped Creightwhich averages three-pointers, overcome overall 43 percent shooting and an off game from leading scorer Nate Funk to earn a sixth trip in seven seasons to the NCAA tournament. Johnny Mathies also had 14 points for the winners.

"Just providing the spark, I guess, has been kind of my role all year," Motz said. "The main thing is 10 guys found a way to get it done in three days, and we can relax this week and find out where we're going to be playing.

Deke Thompson had 14 points and Anthony Shavies 10 for Southwest Missouri (18-12), which also lost the tournament championship game last year and was shut out of the postseason. Southwest Missouri has been in the title game five times in the last eight easons, but hasn't won since Coach Barry Hinson said his

team will get an NIT bid this sea-

"I'm actually looking forward to more basketball this season, forward Tamarr Maclin said. "I mean, postseason is postseason."

Conference commissioner Doug Elgin was optimistic the Valley would receive three NCAA hids for the first time since 1999 with regular-season champion Southern Illinois, Wichita State and Northern Iowa also in the running. The Valley is ranked eighth

Southwest Missouri Southern Illinois in the semifinals rallying from a 23-point second-half deficit

"I feel pretty good about three teams," Elgin said. "This has been a groundbreaking year for us. I even think four teams is possible. The basketball community should respect our league. Creighton doesn't have to

worry about any of that.

"Well, it'll definitely make the week go better." Altman said. "It's definitely a relief."

Creighton has a season total of 285 three-pointers, second most in Valley history, and was 12-for-25 in the title game. That helped the Bluejays end a four-game losing streak against the Bears despite only eight points from Funk, 10 below his average, on 3-for-12 shooting.

"He made a lot of opportunities for his teammates because they paid so much attention to him, but he didn't shoot it good," Altman said. "We were very fortunate that Jimmy picked up the three-point shooting, and Dane and other guys stepped up."

The game seemed set for a tense finish when Maclin made a three-point play with 7:24 to go to cut Southwest Missouri's deficit to 52-50. But consecutive three-pointers by Tyler McKinney and Motz only 53 seconds apart put Creighton ahead 60-50 with four minutes left. "You're like 'Wow!' " Hinson

said. "We just couldn't stop the bleeding. I would have liked for the ending chapter of this deal to

Loughton takes over in OT, VALLEY leads Monarchs to NCAAs

BY HANK KURZ JR.

The Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. - Old Dominion wanted to take the "if" out of its chances for making the NCAA tournament. Alex Loughton made it happen

The Colonial Athletic Association player of the year took control of the game when the Monarchs needed him to Monday night, leading Old Dominion to a 73-66 victory against Virginia Commonwealth in overtime of the conference championship, and automatically into the field of 65.

The 6-foot-9 forward from Australia scored six of his 28 points in overtime, and the top-seeded Monarchs were clutch in the stretch, making their final 12 free throws to withstand the Rams' last-gasp

"I thought tonight was my night, and I was going to sort of outsmart and out-tough the opposition Loughton said after making 12 of 19 shots and grabbing 11 rebounds, "I really thought I found my niche

The Monarchs (28-5) might have been able to lose and still get in, but didn't relish waiting around until Selection Sunday to find out.

"We wanted to take care of our business our selves," said guard Drew Williamson, who played 91 minutes in the tournament without a turnover But it was Loughton, most of all, who made it so.

He scored on a drive with 52 seconds left in regulation, was fouled and made the tying free throw, Old Dominion's only points in the last five minutes of regulation. Then he took charge once overtime began.

"When it came time to make a play, it had to be made," he said.

Once in the extra session, Loughton scored inside, hit from about 17 feet and made two free throws, giving the Monarchs a 61-57 lead

They sealed it at the line, making 12 straight shots to clinch their first NCAA berth since 1997, when VCU coach Jeff Capel's father took them there. "I just can't say enough about how strong of a will

our kids had to hang in there when everything was going right for the other team, and give ourselves a chance in regulation." Monarchs coach Blaine Taylor said "We had no answer for Loughton," Capel said,

"He's a real, real good player — borderline great and I don't throw that word around much. The Rams (19-12) cut a 69-63 deficit in half on

B.A. Walker's three-pointer with 13.9 seconds left, but Williamson hit a pair of free throws with 12 sec-onds to play and the Monarchs were finally tournament bound.

Kiah Thomas scored 14 and Isaiah Hunter 13 for Old Dominion.

Jesse Pellot-Rosa led the Rams with 15 points. Walker had 14 and Nick George and Michael Doles each had 11, though both shot poorly,



Old Dominion's Alex Loughton celebrates after his MVP performance earned the Monarchs the Colonial Athletic Association title and an NCAA tournament bid.

'It was hard to get open looks, and when we did get them, we didn't knock them down," said Doles, a senior who came in averaging 15 points, but shot just 6-for-23 in the semifinals and championship.

The Rams, seeded second in the tournament, joined semifinals losers North Carolina-Wilmington

and Hofstra in hoping for bids to the NIT. "Hopefully we have at least one more game left." Capel said.

Men's automatic tournament bids

Central Florida, Atlantic Sun Conference Chattanooga, Southern Conference Creighton, Missouri Valley Conference Eastern Kentucky, Ohio Valley Conference Gonzaga, West Coast Conference Niagara. Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference Old Dominion. Colonial Athletic Association Pennsylvania, Ivy League Winthrop, Big South Conference

Mendez ends Niagara's 35-year wait

By JOHN WAWROW

The Associated Press BUFFALO, N.Y. - Juan Men-

dez can finally breathe easy. The weight of Niagara's 34-year NCAA tournament drought is finally over.

Starting with a massive dunk, the senior forward hit 10 of his first 12 shots and finished with 27 points in leading the Purple Eagles to an 81-59 win over Rider in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference championship on Monday night

The win clinched Niagara's second NCAA tournament berth, and Murphy-led Purple Eagles reached the second round. It also ended a string of frustrating close calls for a program that had lost two MAAC championship games in the last three years.

"It's huge," Mendez said. "People have been waiting 35 years for this. And we finally got it

"We finally did it," added senior point guard Alvin Cruz.

It was extra special for Cruz to win with Mendez, teammates recruited together five years ago out of Florida Air Academy.

"He was finishing everything,

he was being a leader," Cruz said. "He showed he was the best player in this conference tonight

Lorenzo Miles had 16 points, while David Brooks scored 12 and added nine assists for Niagara (20-9), which lost 62-61 to Manhattan in last year's final. Mendez added 13 rebounds to be named

the tournament's MVP. A largely partisan Purple Ea-gles crowd — Niagara is located about 20 minutes from Buffalo stormed the court as the final buzzer sounded. It took officials almost 15 minutes to clear the court to present Niagara with its trophy.
After 34 years, the wait was

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Gonzaga silences critics

Zags capture 6th WCC title in 7 seasons

BY JANIE MCCAULEY
The Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — This season started with talk that Gonzaga might no longer be the best team in the West Coast Conference.

It ended with the Zags on top for the sixth time in seven years. Adam Morrison scored 30 points and keyed a big sec-

points and keyed a big second-half run to lead No. 11 Gonzaga to an 80-67 victory over Saint Mary's on Monday night in a meeting of the conference's top two teams.

"Obviously being how young we are, over the summer we heard a lot of whispers about us finishing second or fourth in this league, and it kind of put a little chip on our shoulders," said Morrison, the tournament MVP. "We read the Web sites. We heard what people

were saying around town."

Ronny Truriaf added 18 points
and 14 rebounds as the Zags
(25-4) earned a seventh straight
NCAA tournament bid with their
12th consecutive victory. Gonzaga beat the second-seeded Gaels
in the title game for the second
straight season.

Daniel Kickert scored 27 points with a career-high seven three-pointers, and Paul Marigney had 20 points and 11 rebounds for Saint Mary's (25-8), which still has a chance to earn the school's first NCAA tournament bid since 1997.

"I would have to question the process if we're out," Saint Mary's coach Randy Bennett said. "We played in a good conference. We lost to a good team. I think we've done all we could do other than win tonight."

Morrison scored the Zags' first seven points after halftime, including a three-point play that started a 15-3 run. He threw his arm into the air to celebrate in the final minute and called for Gonzaga's many fans to rise to their feet.

"Adam's a big-time player,"
Zags coach Mark Few said. "The
bigger the moment, the better he
is. He is the reason we've run off
as many straight as we have. He's
defending and he's making everybody better on both ends."

Turiaf, who had four second-half blocks, responded with a big night after a poor performance in Gonzaga's 90-74 semifinal win over San Diego on Sunday.

Derek Raivio added 16 points to help Gonzaga snap the Gaels' five-game winning streak.



Gonzaga's Ronny Turiaf, left, is defended by Saint Mary's Frederic Adjiwanou in the second half of the West Coast Conference tournament championship game in Santa Clara, Calif., on Monday.

Of all the talented Gonzaga teams during the program's recent run, some say this could potentially be the best one.

After Kickert's three with 16:20 left pulled the Gaels to 41:40, Gonzaga scored 10 straight points and held the Gaels to one field goal in 10 minutes. Marigney scored five straight to pull Saint Mary's to 53:47 with 8:01 to go but the Gaels couldn't get closer.

The Bulldogs, who played in the tournament championship game for the eighth straight year,

haven't lost since a 73-70 defeat at San Francisco on Jan. 20.

Gonzaga's red-clad fans chanted "This is our house!" before the game, a reminder that the Zags have won eight straight in the Leavey Center, Santa Clara's home arena.

Most of the sellout crowd was in red actually, one of the colors for both teams.

Kickert made five first-half three-pointers. E.J. Rowland had six of his

E.J. Rowland had six of his nine assists in the first half, but Saint Mary's started the second half 2-for-13, missed four crucial free throws and was sloppy with the ball. The Gaels committed three shot-clock violations and a halfcourt violation.

"We still had some good looks in the second half," Rowland said. "They just didn't fall our way."

The WCC has sent two teams to the tournament only five times in the last 15 years, but the Gaels are hoping their 25 wins will be the difference for the selection committee next Sunday.



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